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I've been gathering and reading a bunch of reference materials to do this "pirate story." However, the pirates that I admired so much in my youth hardly ever left written records of their history. I guess they were just too busy having fun with their own adventures and they forgot to leave their stories for future generations. That's just the trouble with those darned pirates.

—Eiichiro Oda, 1997

Eiichiro Oda began his manga career at the age of 17, when his one-shot cowboy manga **Wanted!** won second place in the coveted Tezuka manga awards. Oda went on to work as an assistant to some of the biggest manga artists in the industry, including Nobuhiro Watsuki, before winning the Hop Step Award for new artists. His pirate adventure **One Piece**, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1997, quickly became one of the most popular manga in Japan.

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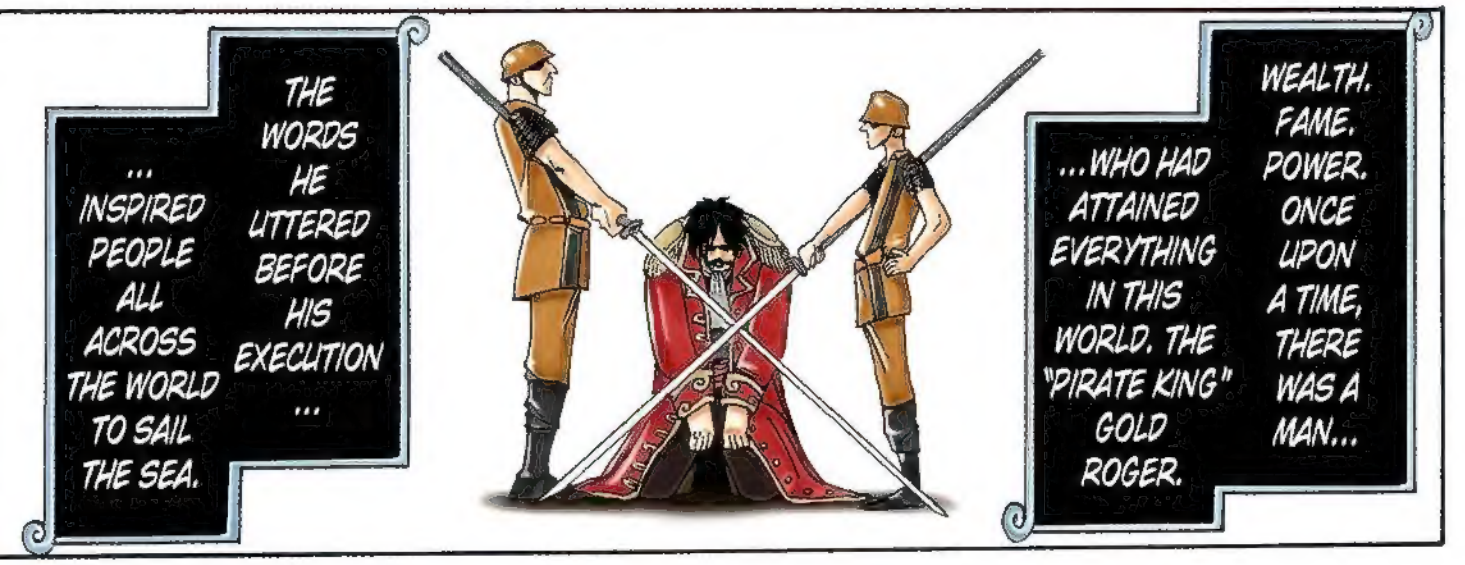
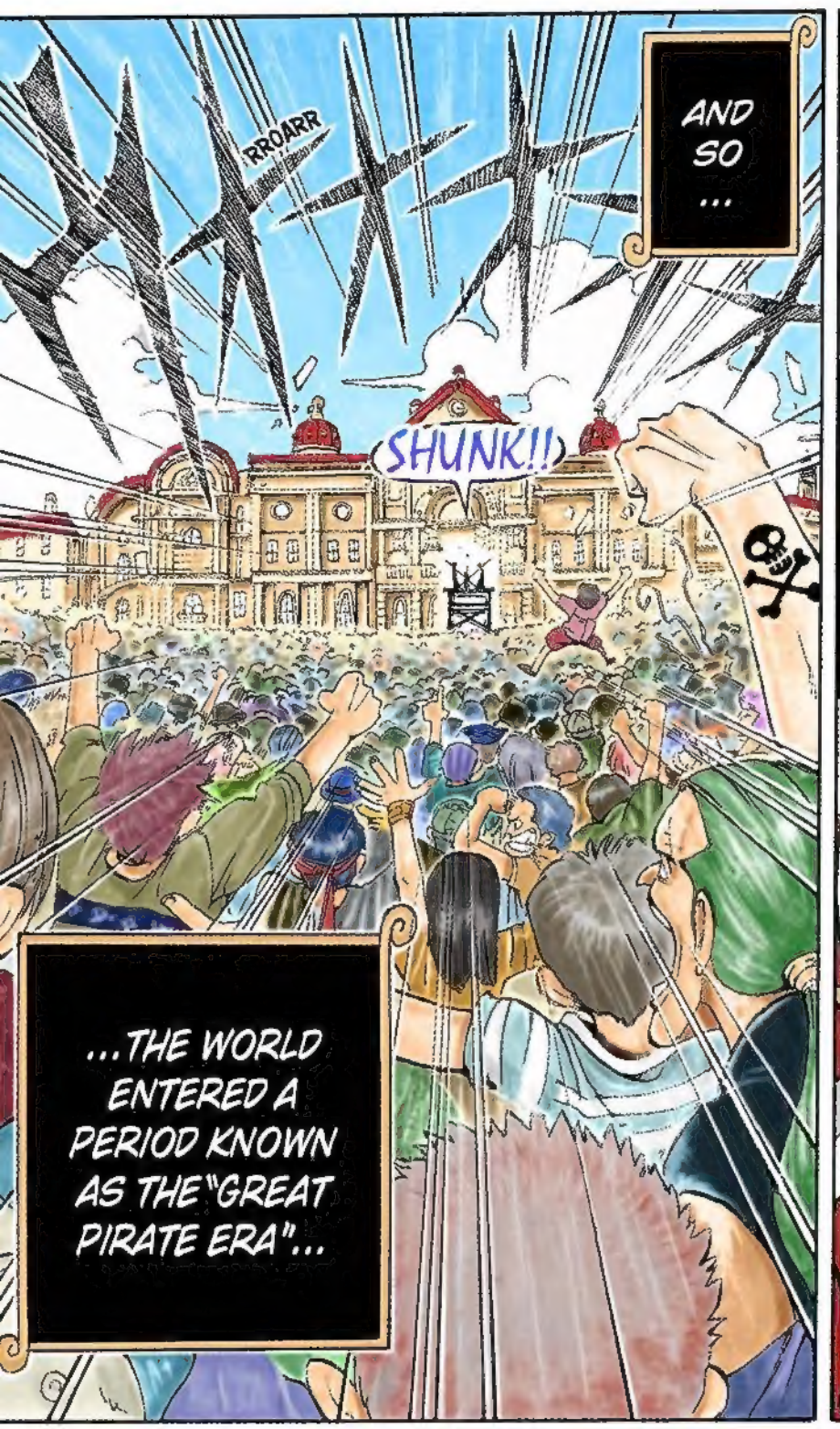
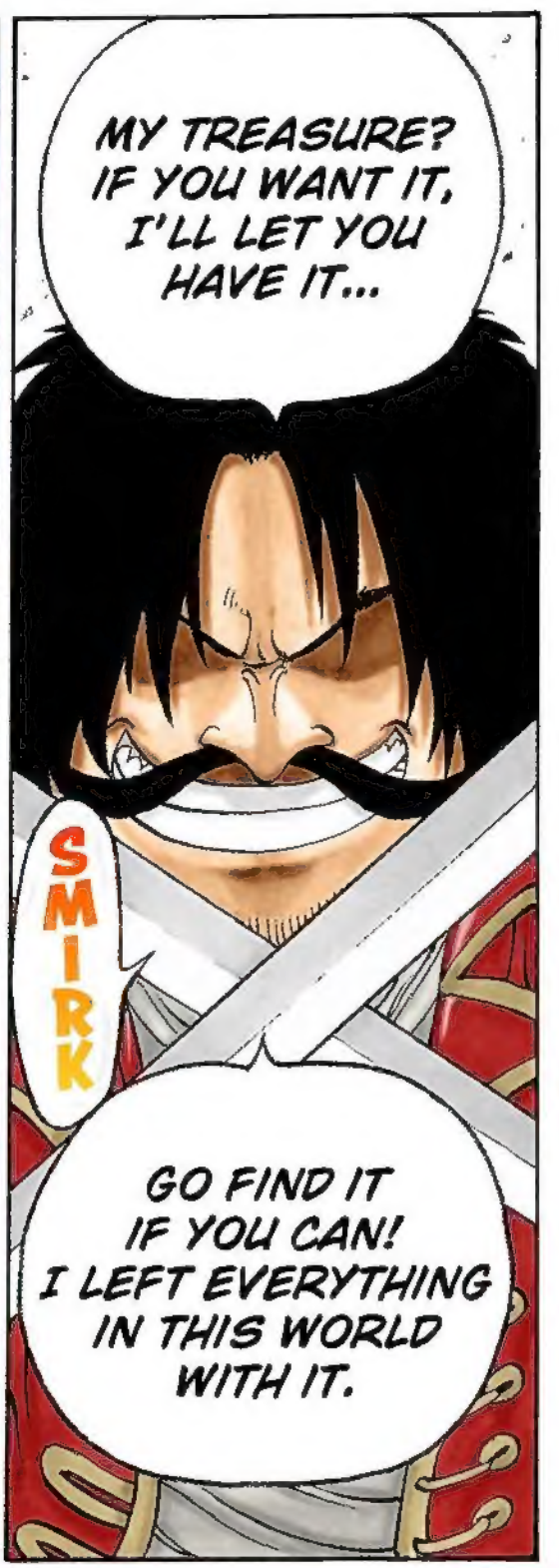

WEALTH. FAME. POWER. ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE WAS A MAN...
...WHO HAD ATTAINED EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD. THE "PIRATE KING" GOLD ROGER.
THE WORDS HE UTTERED BEFORE HIS EXECUTION ...
... INSPIRED PEOPLE ALL ACROSS THE WORLD TO SAIL THE SEA.





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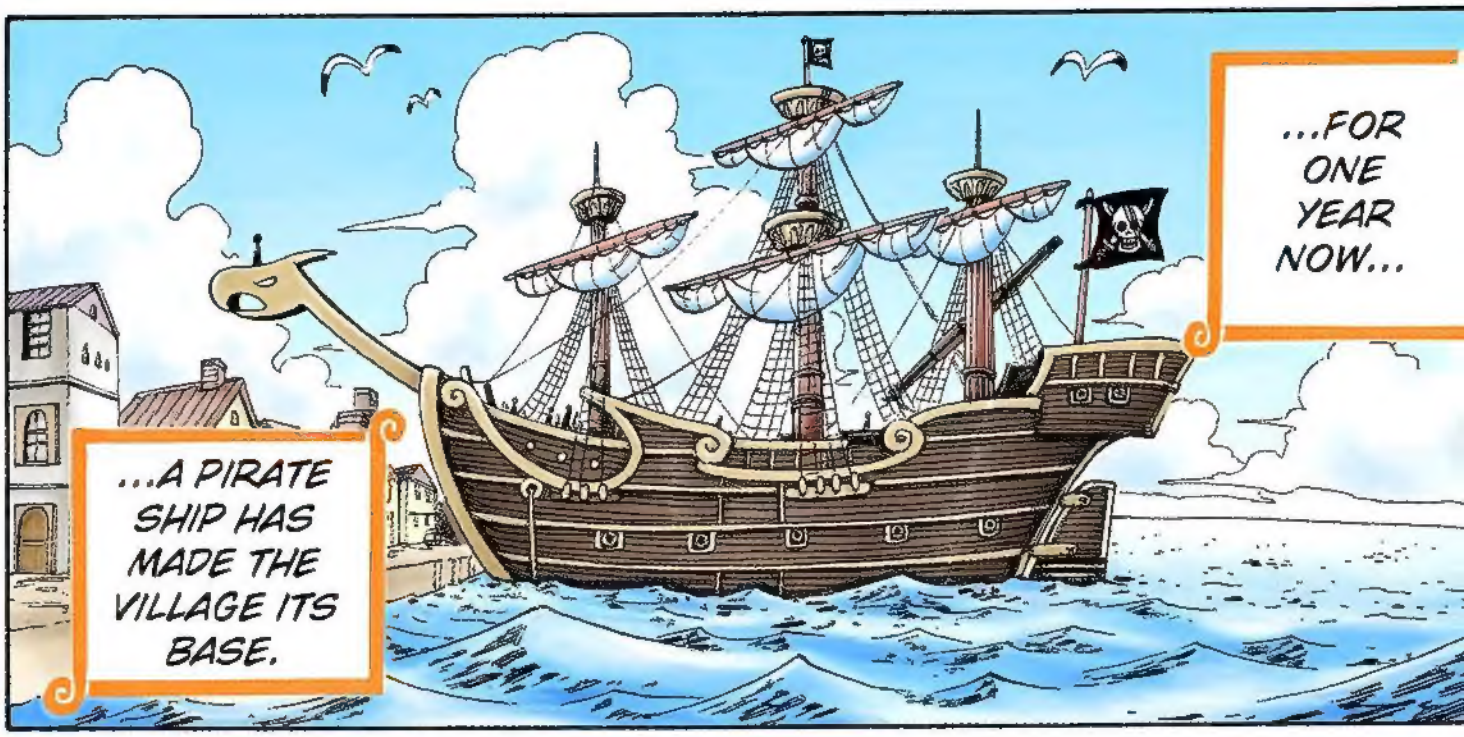
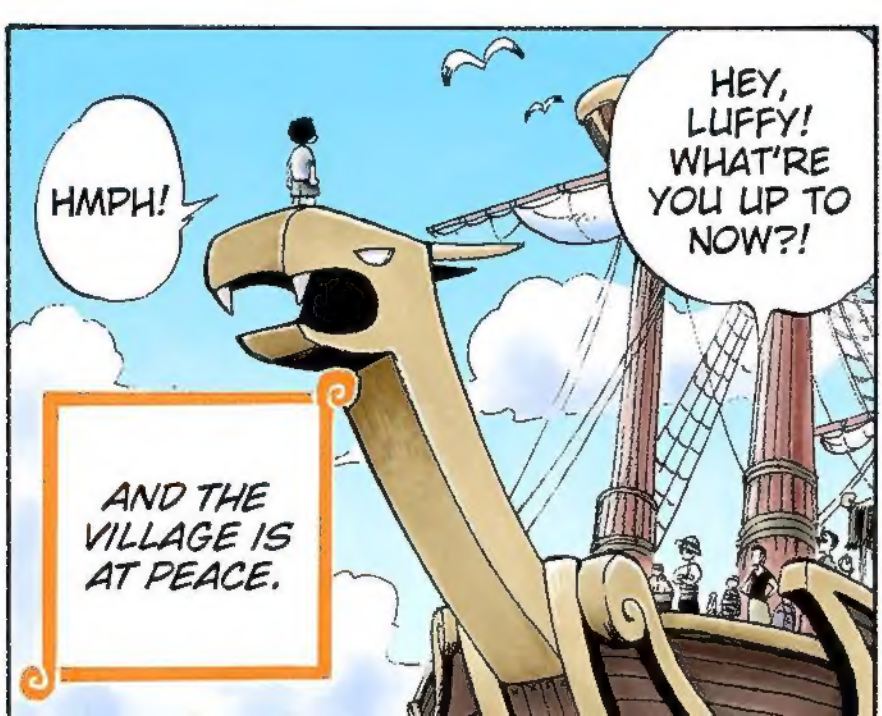
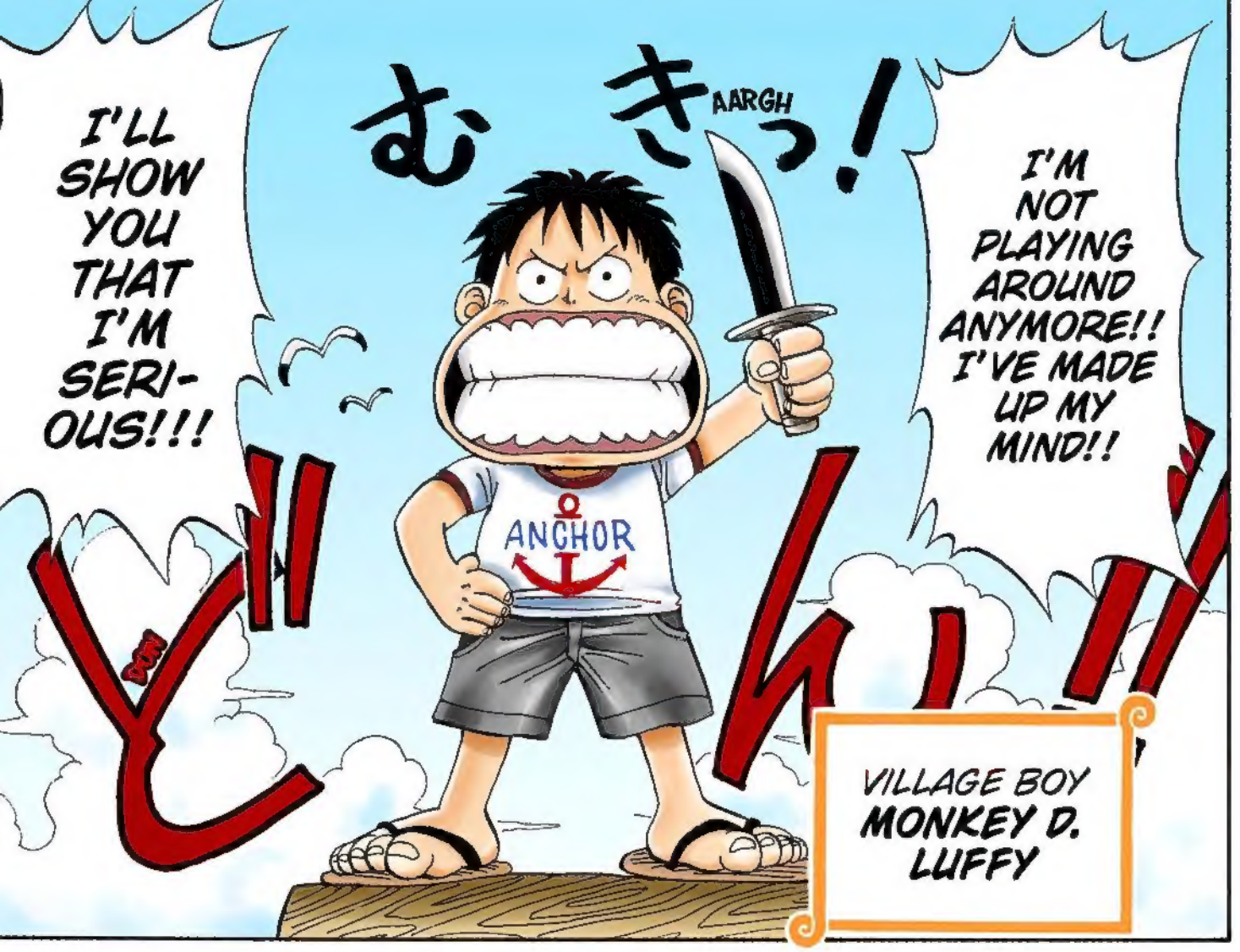
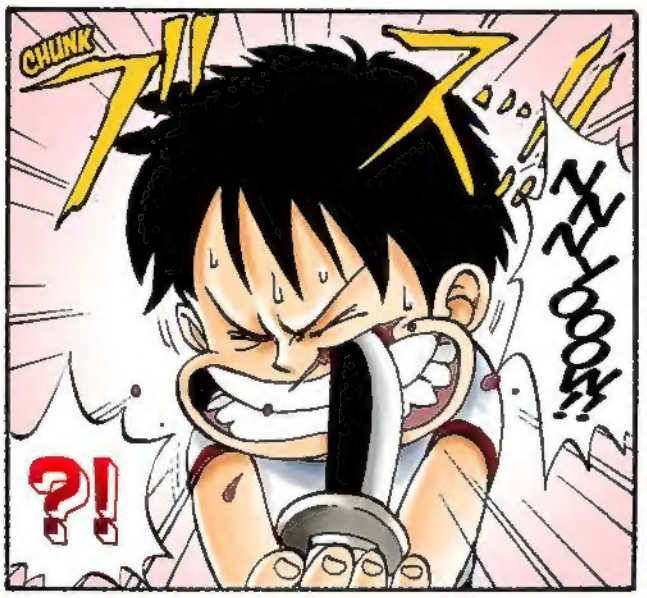
AT A SMALL PORT VILLAGE..

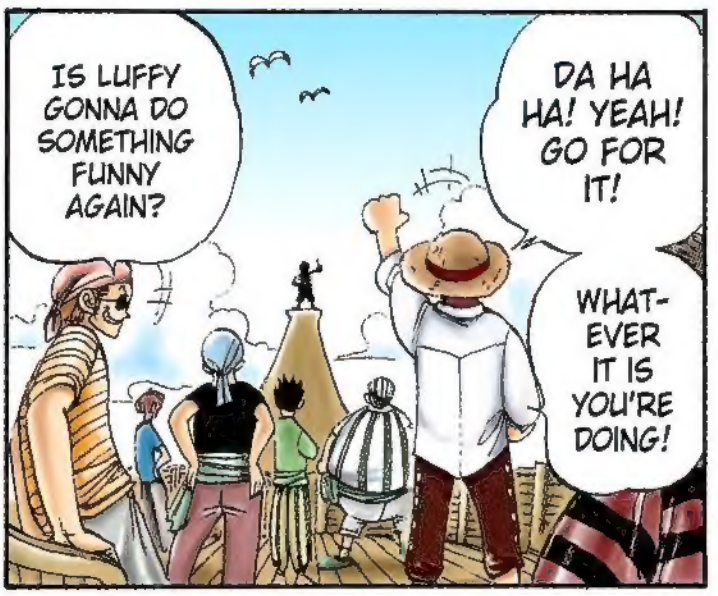

...FOR ONE YEAR NOW...
...A PIRATE SHIP HAS MADE THE VILLAGE ITS BASE.

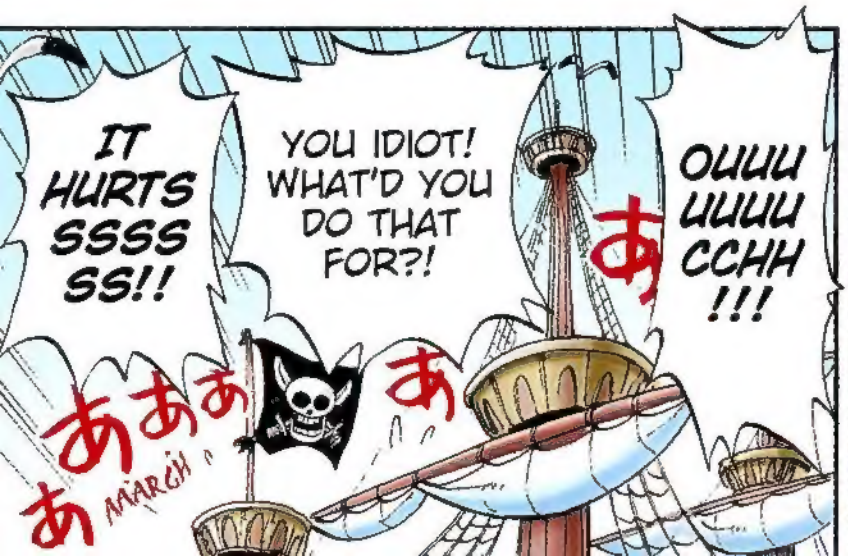

HMPH!
HEY, LUFFY! WHAT'RE YOU UP TO NOW?!
AND THE VILLAGE IS AT PEACE.

FWAP
THE WIND BLOWS FROM THE EAST.


I'LL SHOW YOU THAT I'M SERI-OUS!!!
むきっ!
AARGH
I'M NOT PLAYING AROUND ANYMORE!! I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!!
ANCHOR
VILLAGE BOY
MONKEY D. LUFFY


CHUNK
ズルズル
?!


IS LUFFY GONNA DO SOMETHING FUNNY AGAIN?
DA HA HA! YEAH! GO FOR IT!
WHAT-EVER IT IS YOU'RE DOING!


IT HURTS SSSS SS!!
YOU IDIOT! WHAT'D YOU DO THAT FOR?!
OUUU UUUU CCHH !!!
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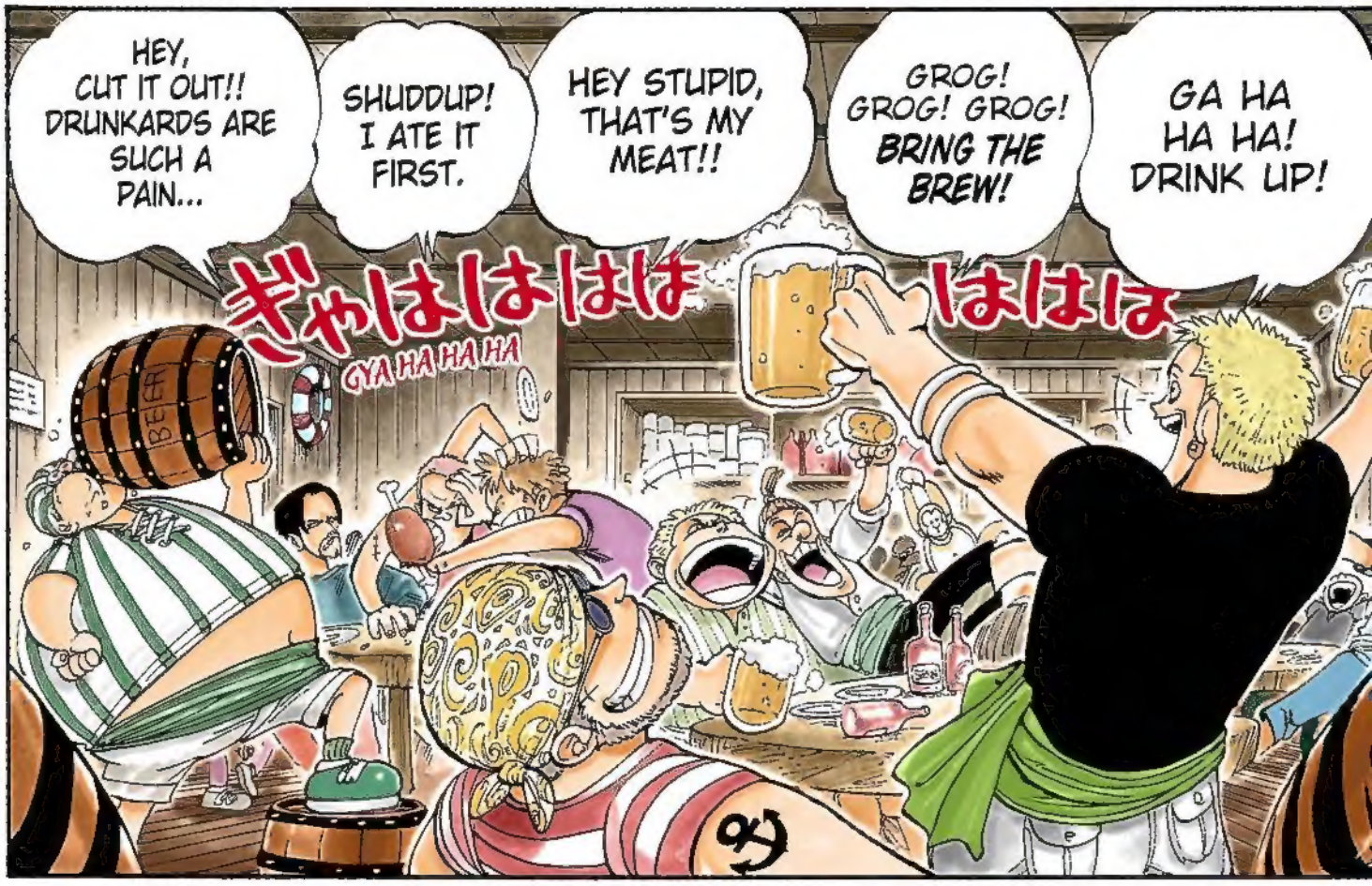
AARGH

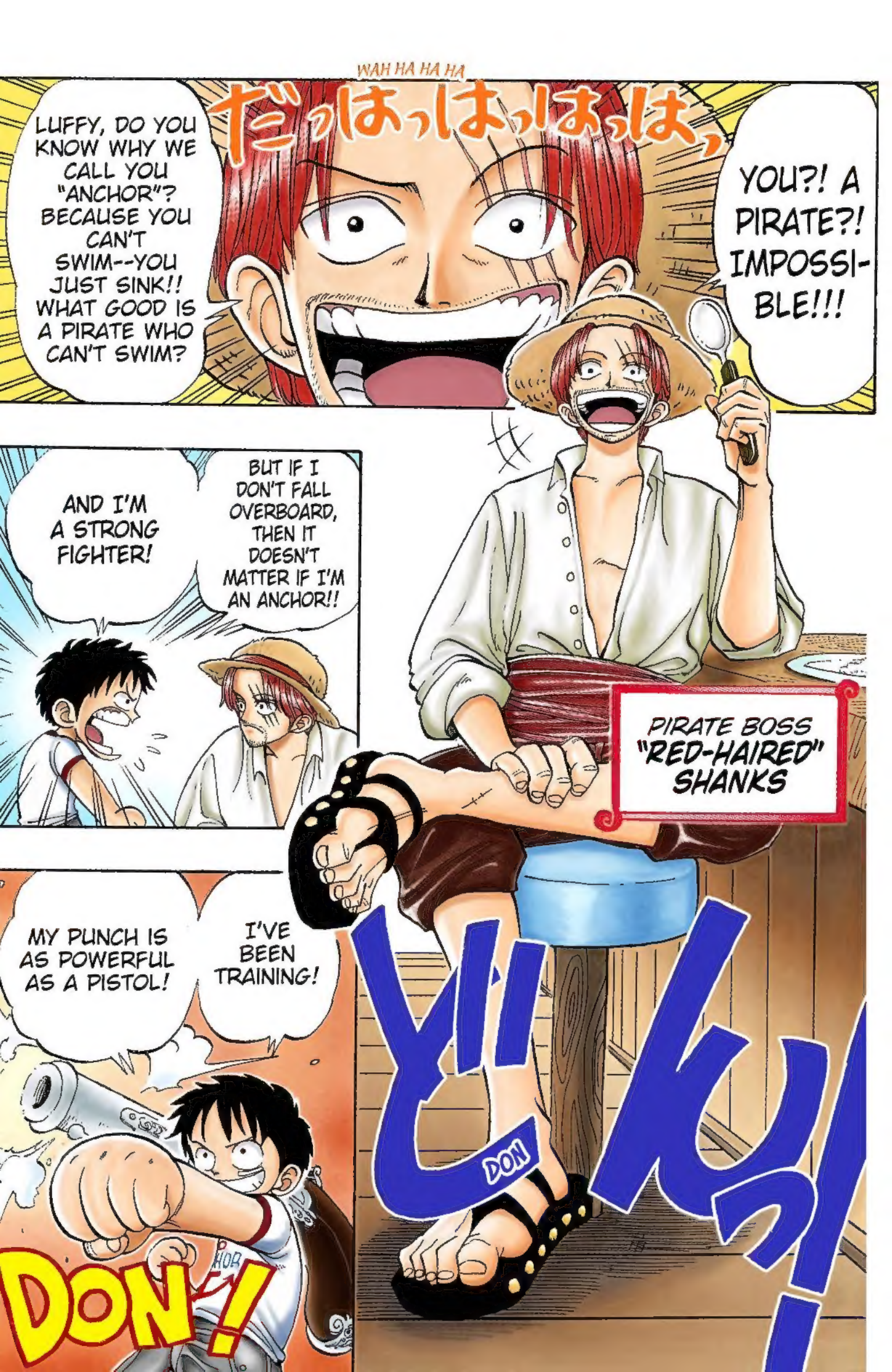
HUH?!

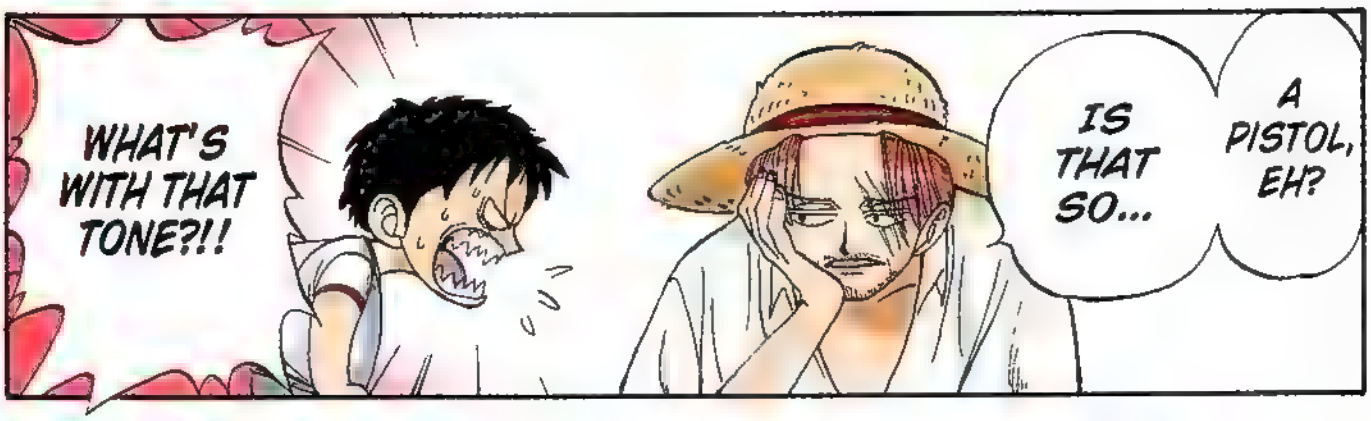
...AND TO A GREAT VOYAGE AHEAD!!
TO LUFFY'S GUTS...
PARTS SHOP
MEN! LET'S TOAST!!


HEY, CUT IT OUT!! DRUNKARDS ARE SUCH A PAIN...
SHUDDUP! I ATE IT FIRST.
HEY STUPID, THAT'S MY MEAT!!
GROG! GROG! GROG! BRING THE BREW!
GA HA HA HA! DRINK UP!
ぎゃはははは
GYA HA HA HA
はははは
BEER

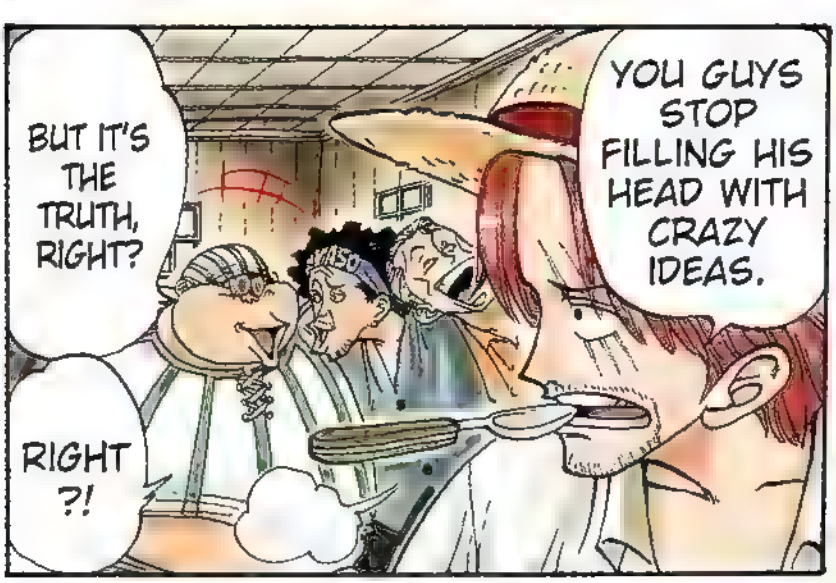
I WANNA BE A PIRATE TOO!!
I'M NOT THE LEAST BIT AFRAID OF GETTING HURT!! TAKE ME WITH YOU ON YOUR NEXT VOYAGE!!
ANCHOR

LIAR! THAT WAS A FOOLISH THING TO DO!
OUCH... I-IT DIDN'T HURT AT ALL...
ANCHOR


WAH HA HA HA
だっはっはっはっは
LUFFY, DO YOU KNOW WHY WE CALL YOU "ANCHOR"? BECAUSE YOU CAN'T SWIM--YOU JUST SINK!! WHAT GOOD IS A PIRATE WHO CAN'T SWIM?
YOU?! A PIRATE?! IMPOSSI-BLE!!!
BUT IF I DON'T FALL OVERBOARD, THEN IT DOESN'T MATTER IF I'M AN ANCHOR!!
AND I'M A STRONG FIGHTER!
PIRATE BOSS "RED-HAIRED" SHANKS
どんっ!
DON
I'VE BEEN TRAINING!
MY PUNCH IS AS POWERFUL AS A PISTOL!
DON!

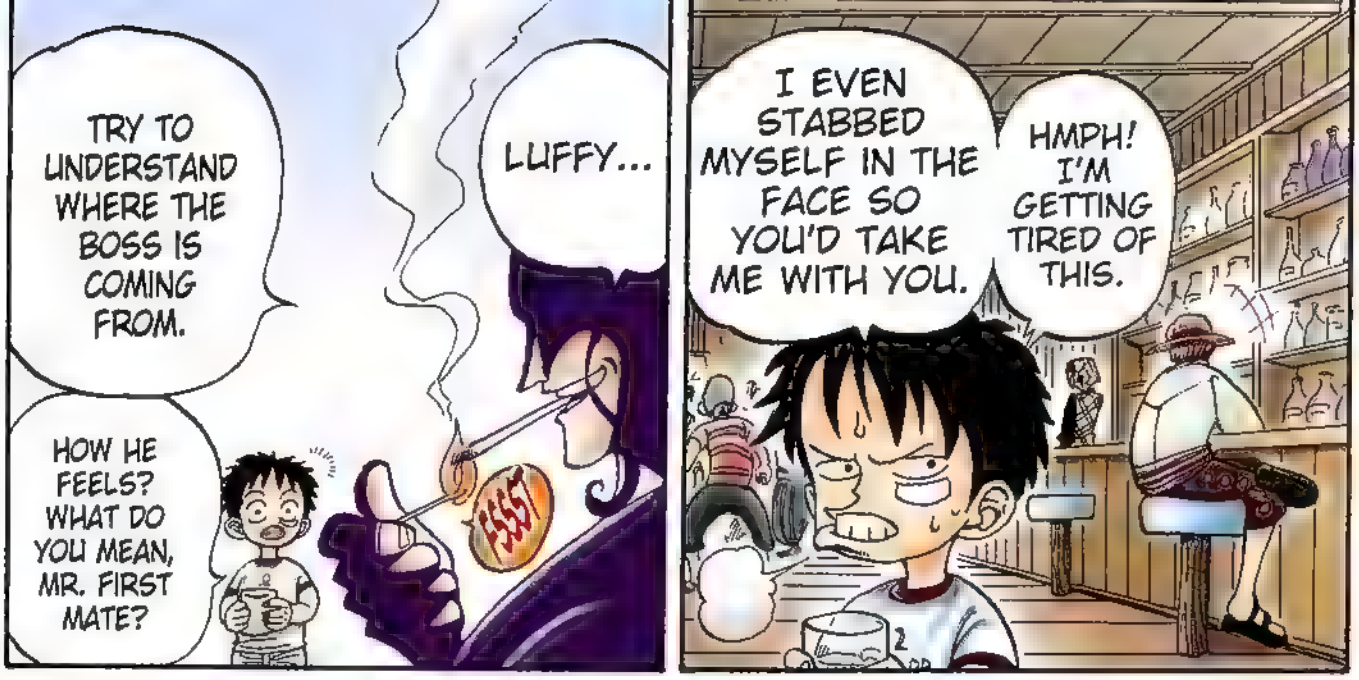

WHAT'S WITH THAT TONE?!!
IS THAT SO...
A PISTOL, EH?

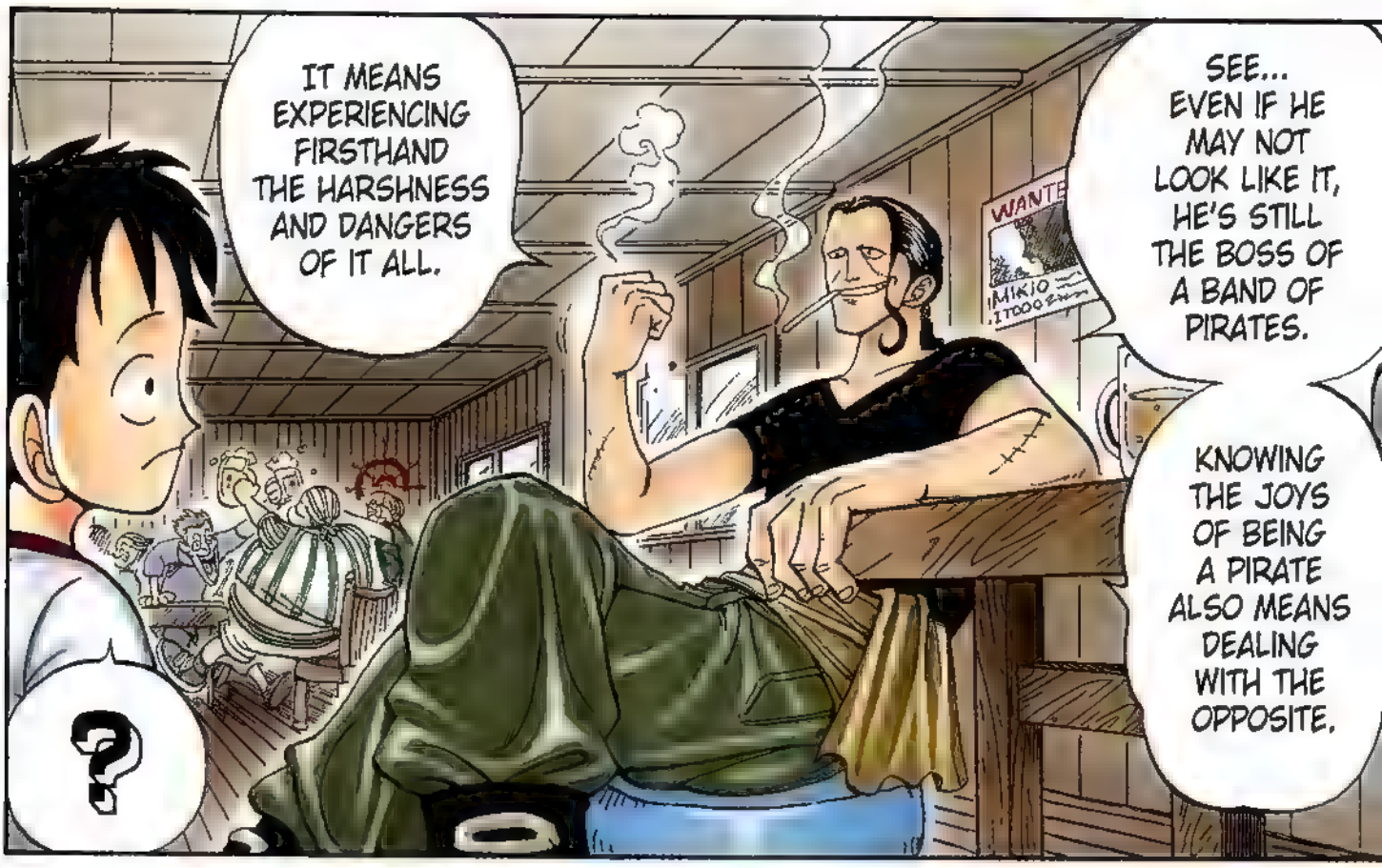
AND BEST OF ALL, PIRATES ARE FREE!!
THE SEA IS VAST, THE SEA IS GRAND!! MANY ISLANDS AND ADVENTURES AWAIT!
YEAH! PIRATES ARE ALL ABOUT JOY AND FUN!
WHATEVER IT IS, LET'S JUST HAVE FUN!
HEY, LUFFY! YOU SEEM KINDA DOWN!

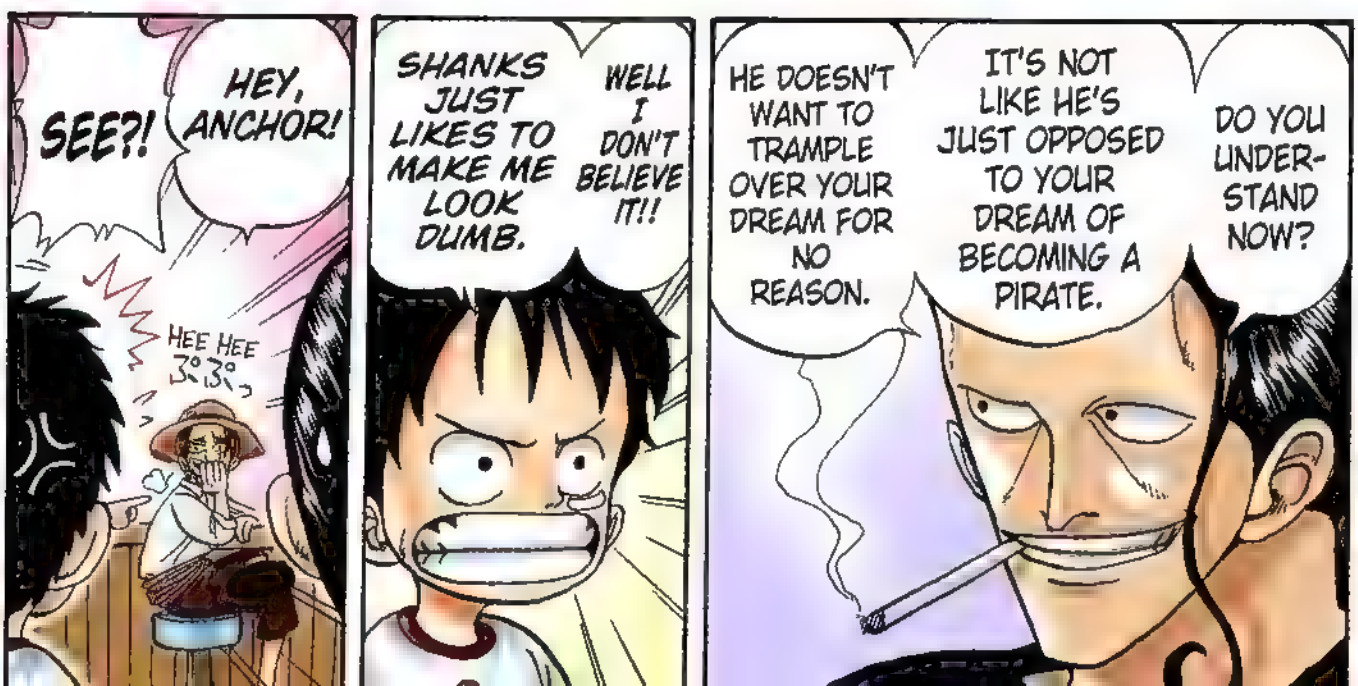

BUT IT'S THE TRUTH, RIGHT?
YOU GUYS STOP FILLING HIS HEAD WITH CRAZY IDEAS.
RIGHT ?!

WOW!

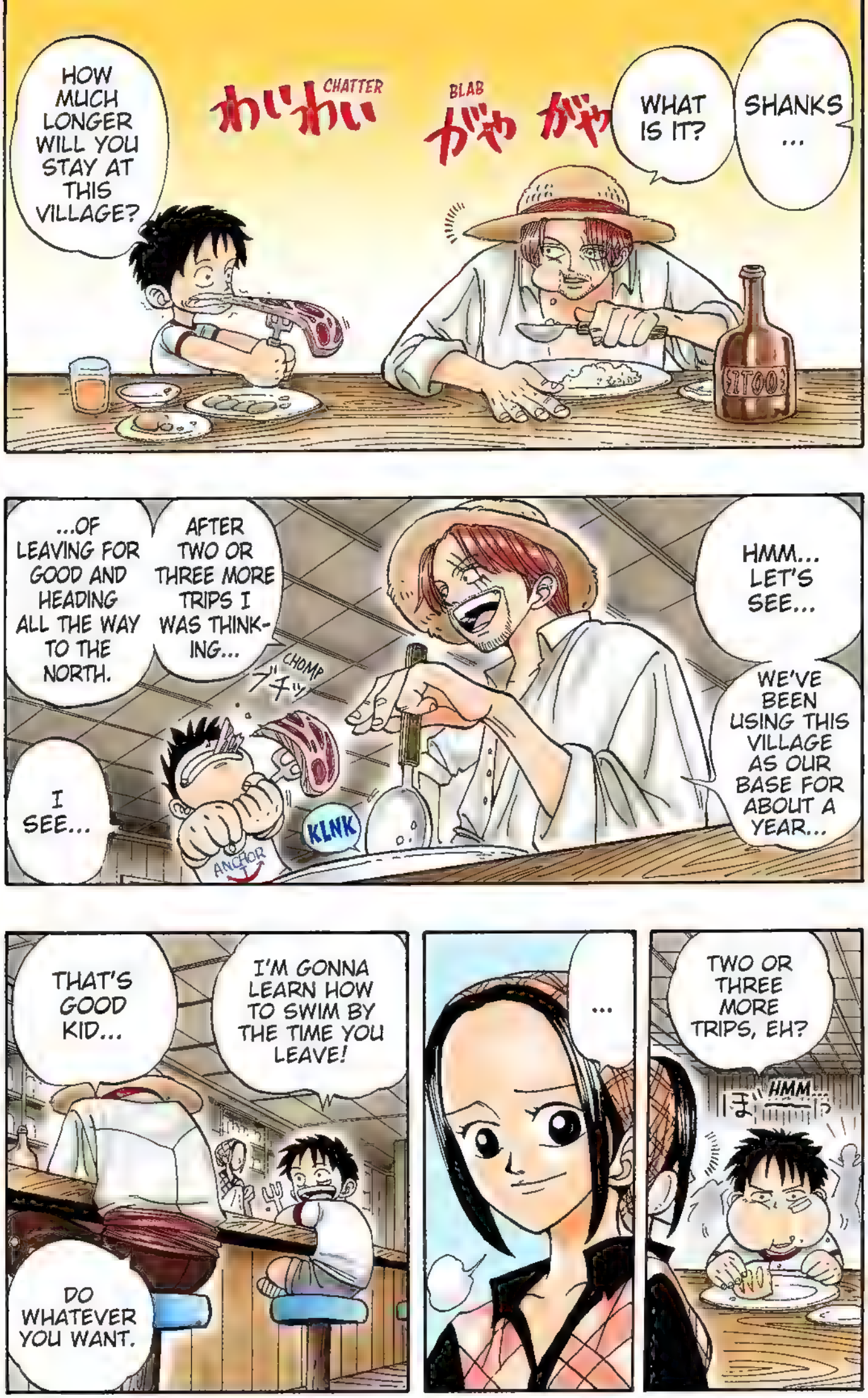
HEY! I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE ON MY SIDE!!
ALRIGHT, TALK'S OVER, BACK TO DRINKING!!
GA HA'HA
がはははは
OKAY, BUT ONE OF YOU WILL HAVE TO STAY BEHIND...
AYE!
YEAH!
LET'S TAKE THE LAD WITH US JUST THIS ONCE...
C'MON, BOSS...
I'M NOT A LITTLE KID!!
DAMMIT, SHANKS! I'M TELLING YOU...
YOU'RE JUST TOO YOUNG, KID.
MAYBE IN 10 YEARS I'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE.
WAH HA HA
だっはっはっはっは
ガーン
GRRR
THAT WAS A DIRTY TRICK!
SEE?! YOU'RE JUST A KID!! THAT'S HILA-RIOUS!!
WOW! THANKS!
ゴク ゴク
GLUG GLUG
DON'T GET UPSET NOW. HERE, HAVE SOME JUICE.

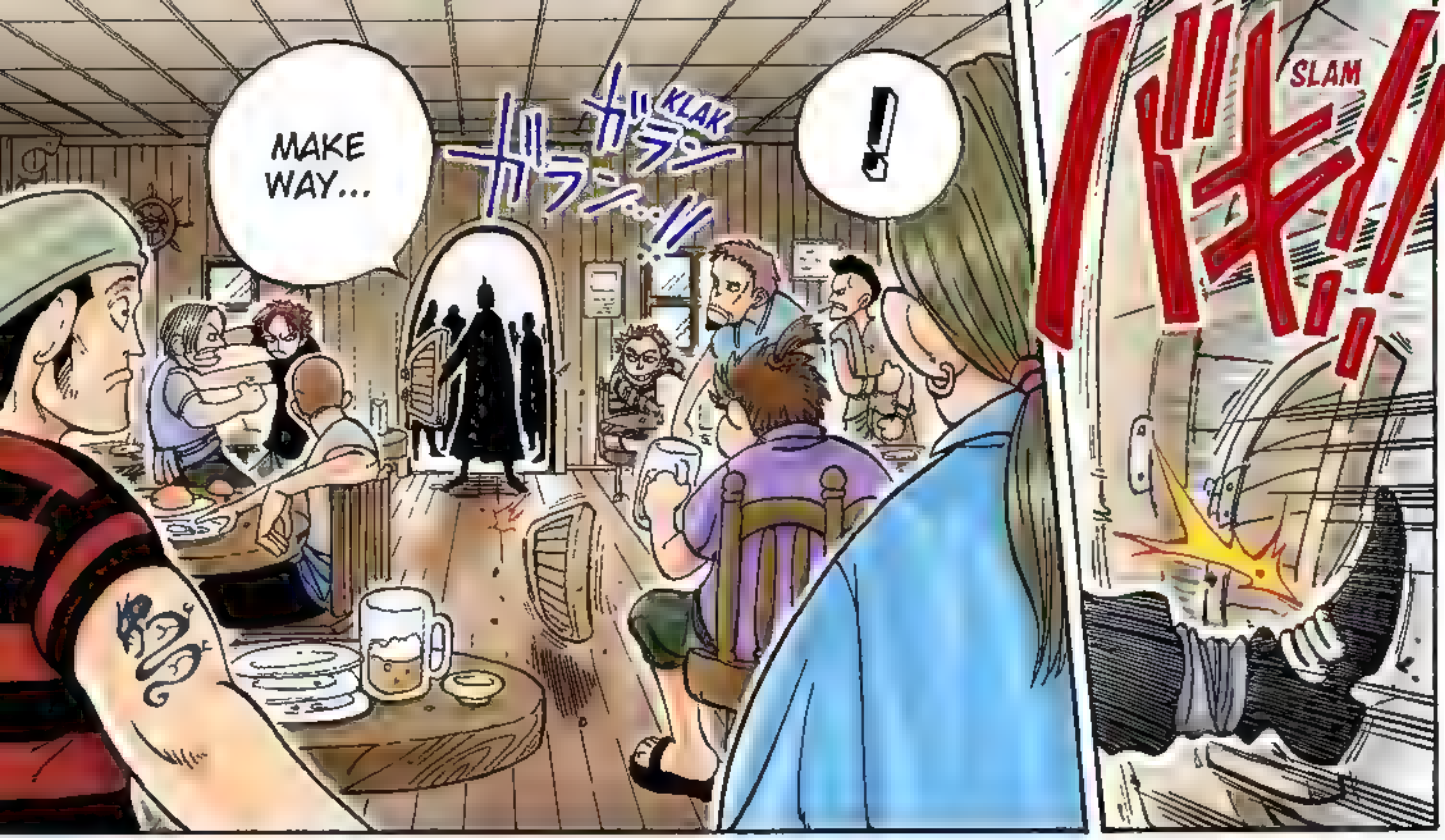

LUFFY...
TRY TO UNDERSTAND WHERE THE BOSS IS COMING FROM.
HOW HE FEELS? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, MR. FIRST MATE?
I EVEN STABBED MYSELF IN THE FACE SO YOU'D TAKE ME WITH YOU.
HMPH! I'M GETTING TIRED OF THIS.

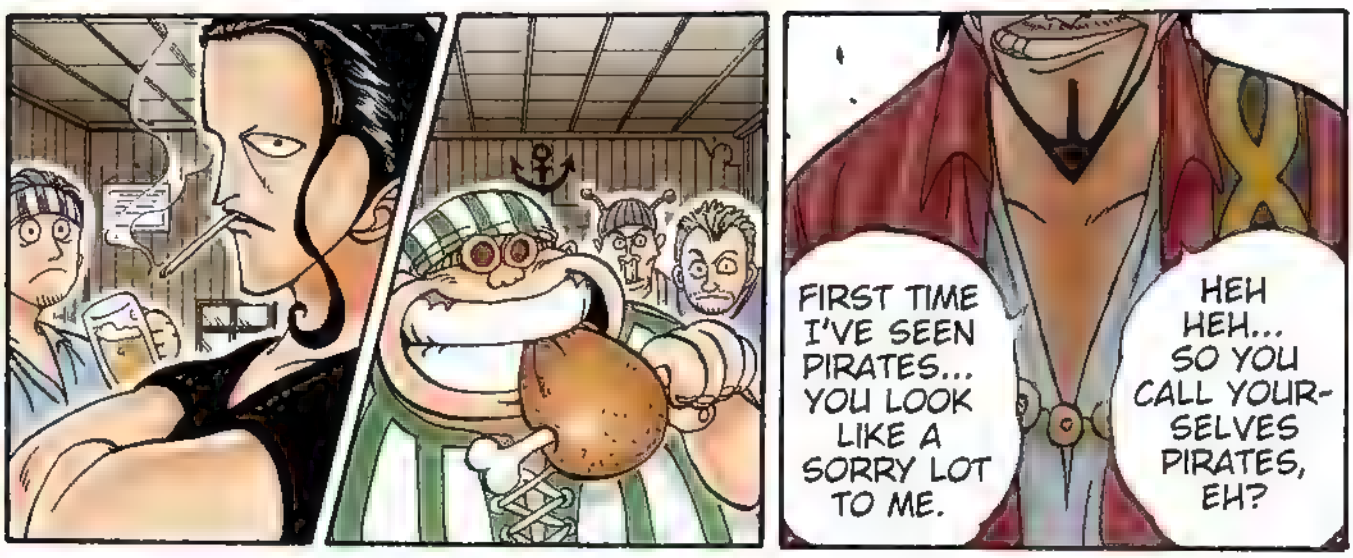

IT MEANS EXPERIENCING FIRSTHAND THE HARSHNESS AND DANGERS OF IT ALL.
?
SEE... EVEN IF HE MAY NOT LOOK LIKE IT, HE'S STILL THE BOSS OF A BAND OF PIRATES.
KNOWING THE JOYS OF BEING A PIRATE ALSO MEANS DEALING WITH THE OPPOSITE.

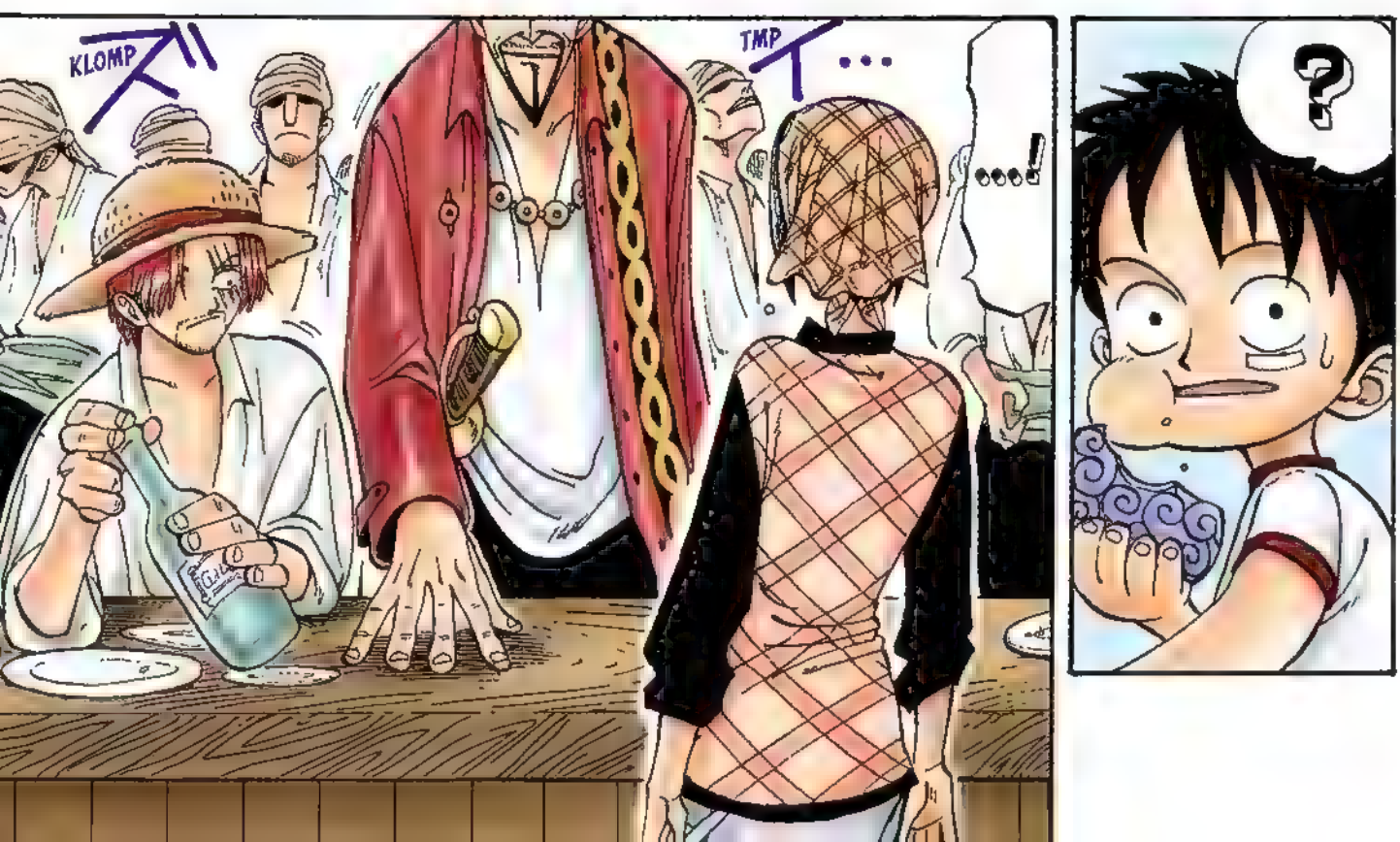

SEE?!
HEY, ANCHOR!
HEE HEE
SHANKS JUST LIKES TO MAKE ME LOOK DUMB.
WELL I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!
HE DOESN'T WANT TO TRAMPLE OVER YOUR DREAM FOR NO REASON.
IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S JUST OPPOSED TO YOUR DREAM OF BECOMING A PIRATE.
DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW?

MAYBE YOU HAVE A POINT...
YEAH! MAKING FUN OF THIS KID IS MY GREATEST JOY IN LIFE!
ENJOYING YOURSELF AS ALWAYS, MR. CAPTAIN?
ANCHOR
YEAH! JUST PUT IT ON MY TREASURE TAB!
LUFFY! WOULD YOU LIKE SOMETHING TO EAT TOO?
OWNER OF THE BAR MAKINO
BEER
DON
...I'LL FIND A LOT OF TREASURE AND COME BACK TO PAY HER!!
I'M NOT!! ONCE I FINALLY BECOME A PIRATE...
TREASURE TAB? LOOK BOY, DON'T TRY TO SWINDLE THE LADY.
ドン!
THUMP
HEE HEE
HE HE HE! I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT DAY.
クスッ
HA HA
ANCHOR


HOW MUCH LONGER WILL YOU STAY AT THIS VILLAGE?
わいわい CHATTER
BLAB がや がや
WHAT IS IT?
SHANKS ...
...OF LEAVING FOR GOOD AND HEADING ALL THE WAY TO THE NORTH.
AFTER TWO OR THREE MORE TRIPS I WAS THINK-ING...
CHOMP ガブッ
KLNK
ANCHOR
I SEE...
HMM... LET'S SEE...
WE'VE BEEN USING THIS VILLAGE AS OUR BASE FOR ABOUT A YEAR...
THAT'S GOOD KID...
I'M GONNA LEARN HOW TO SWIM BY THE TIME YOU LEAVE!
DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.
...
TWO OR THREE MORE TRIPS, EH?
HMM...
NO


MAKE WAY...
ガラン
KLAK
ガラン...!!
!
SLAM
バキ!!


FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN PIRATES... YOU LOOK LIKE A SORRY LOT TO ME.
HEH HEH... SO YOU CALL YOURSELVES PIRATES, EH?


KLOMP
TMP
...
...!
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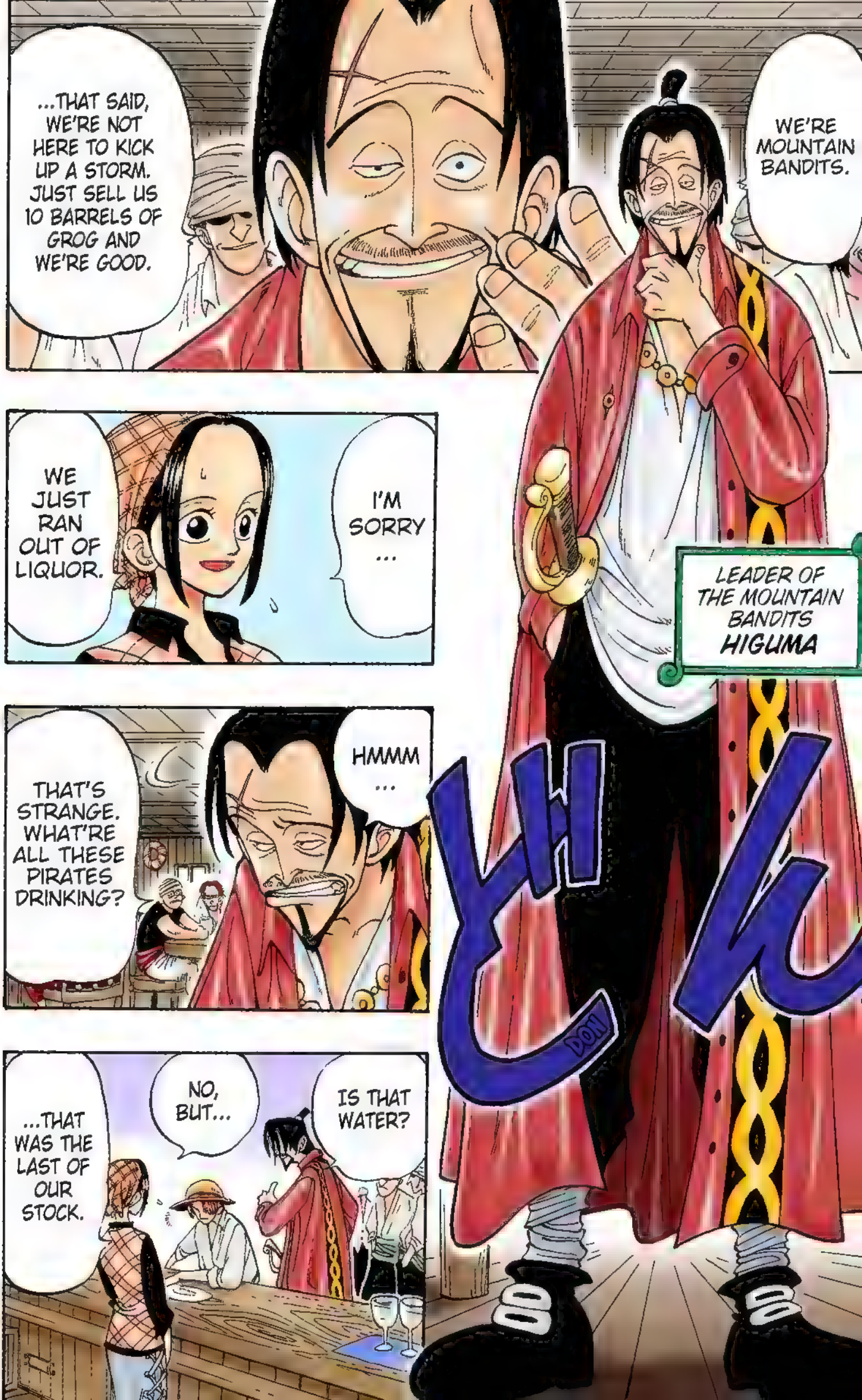
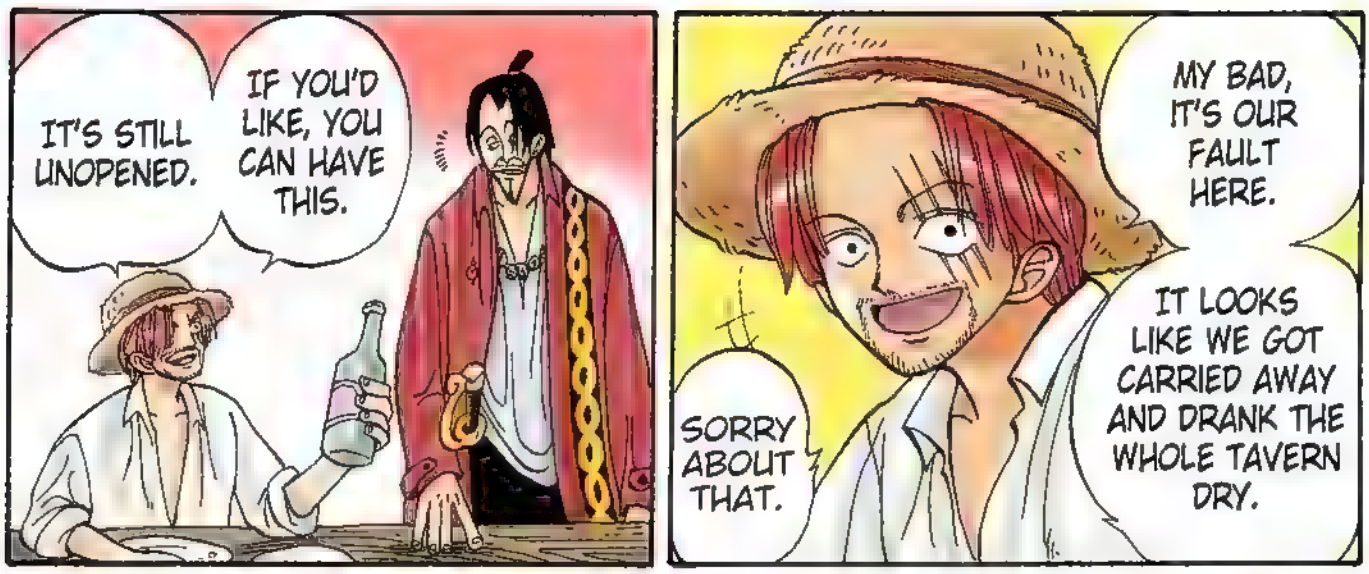
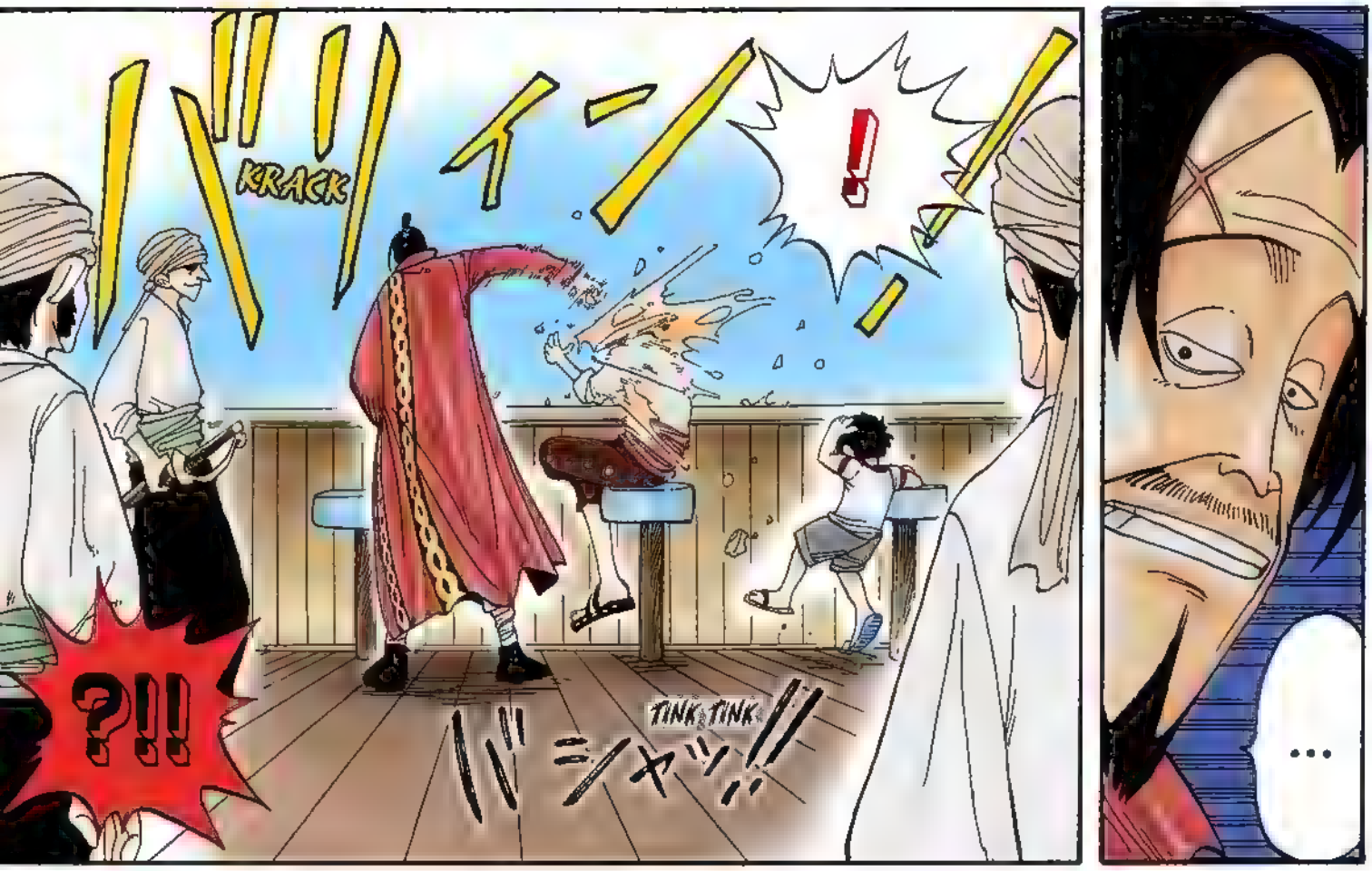

...THAT SAID, WE'RE NOT HERE TO KICK UP A STORM. JUST SELL US 10 BARRELS OF GROG AND WE'RE GOOD.
WE'RE MOUNTAIN BANDITS.
WE JUST RAN OUT OF LIQUOR.
I'M SORRY ...
LEADER OF THE MOUNTAIN BANDITS HIGUMA
THAT'S STRANGE. WHAT'RE ALL THESE PIRATES DRINKING?
HMMM ...
HI
KU
DON
...THAT WAS THE LAST OF OUR STOCK.
NO, BUT...
IS THAT WATER?


IT'S STILL UNOPENED.
IF YOU'D LIKE, YOU CAN HAVE THIS.
SORRY ABOUT THAT.
MY BAD, IT'S OUR FAULT HERE.
IT LOOKS LIKE WE GOT CARRIED AWAY AND DRANK THE WHOLE TAVERN DRY.


KRACK
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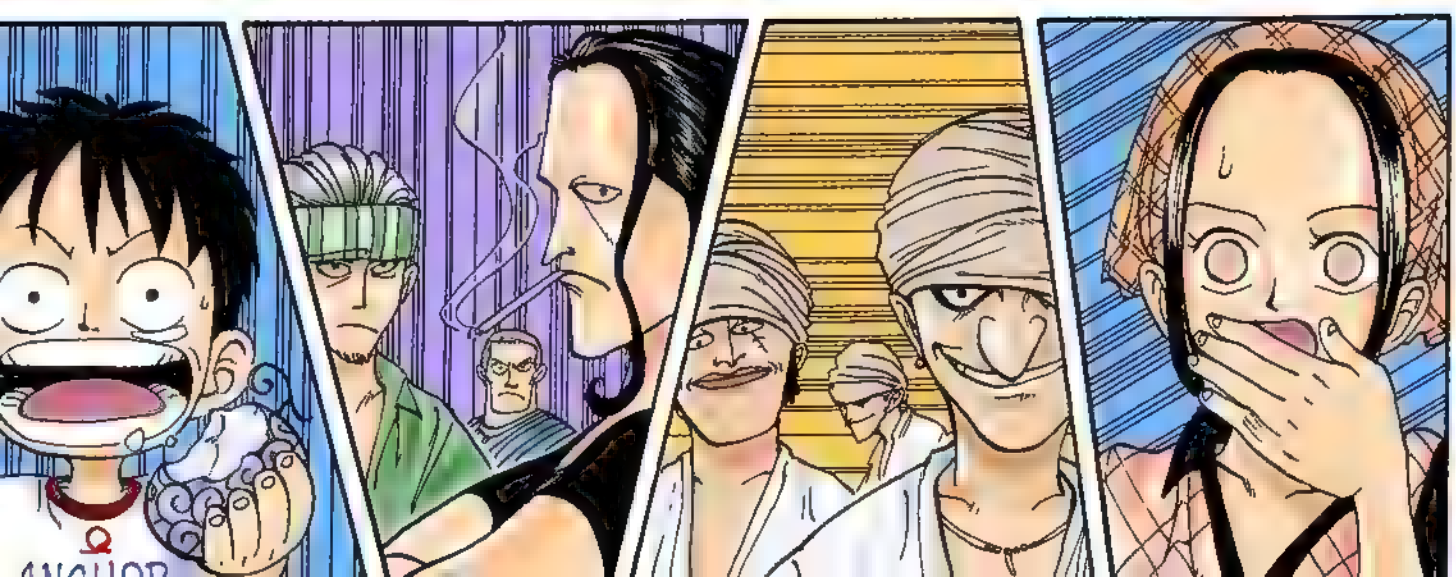
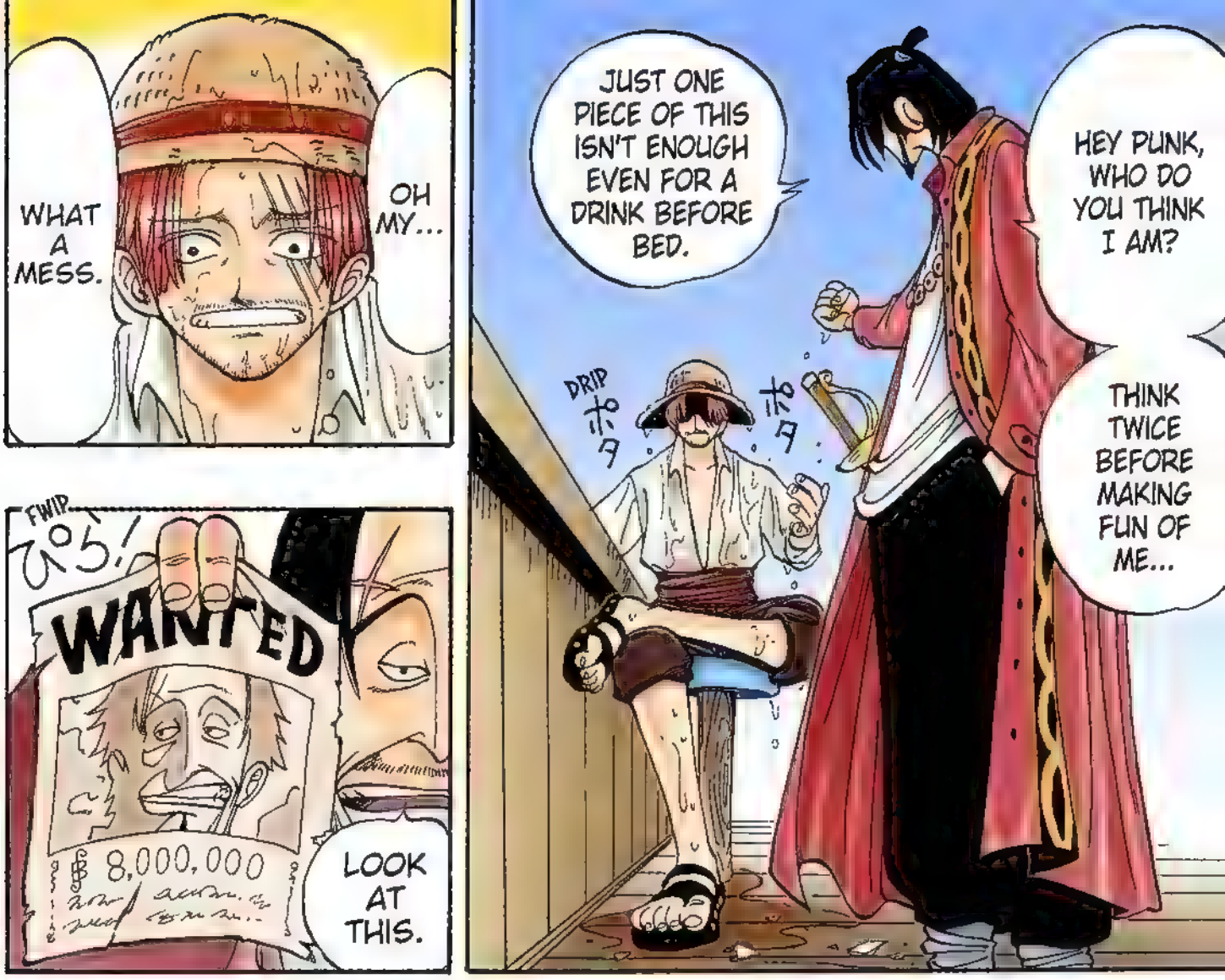
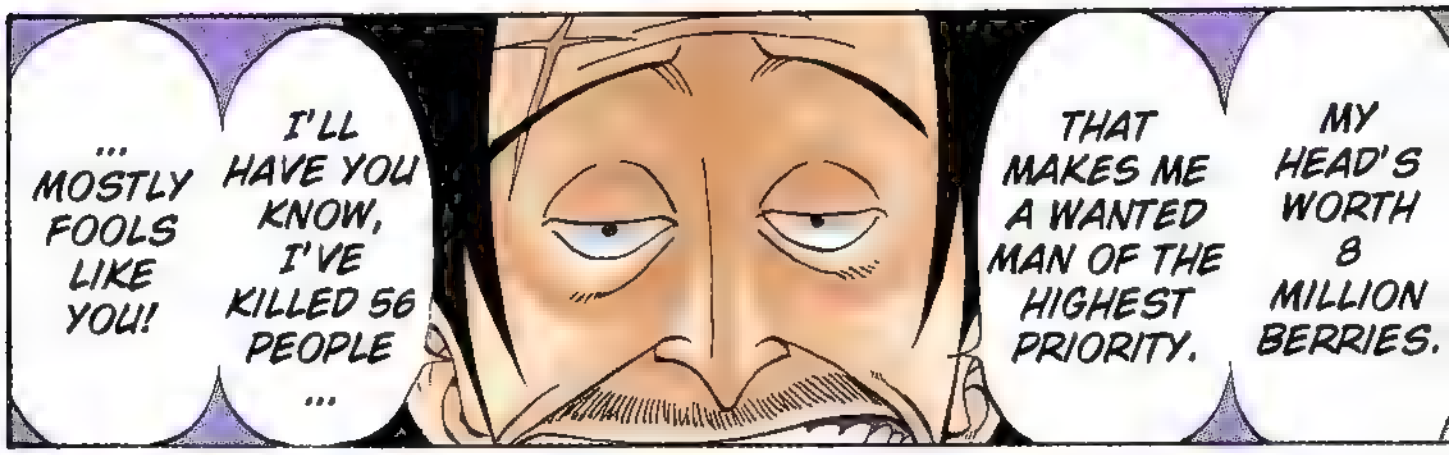
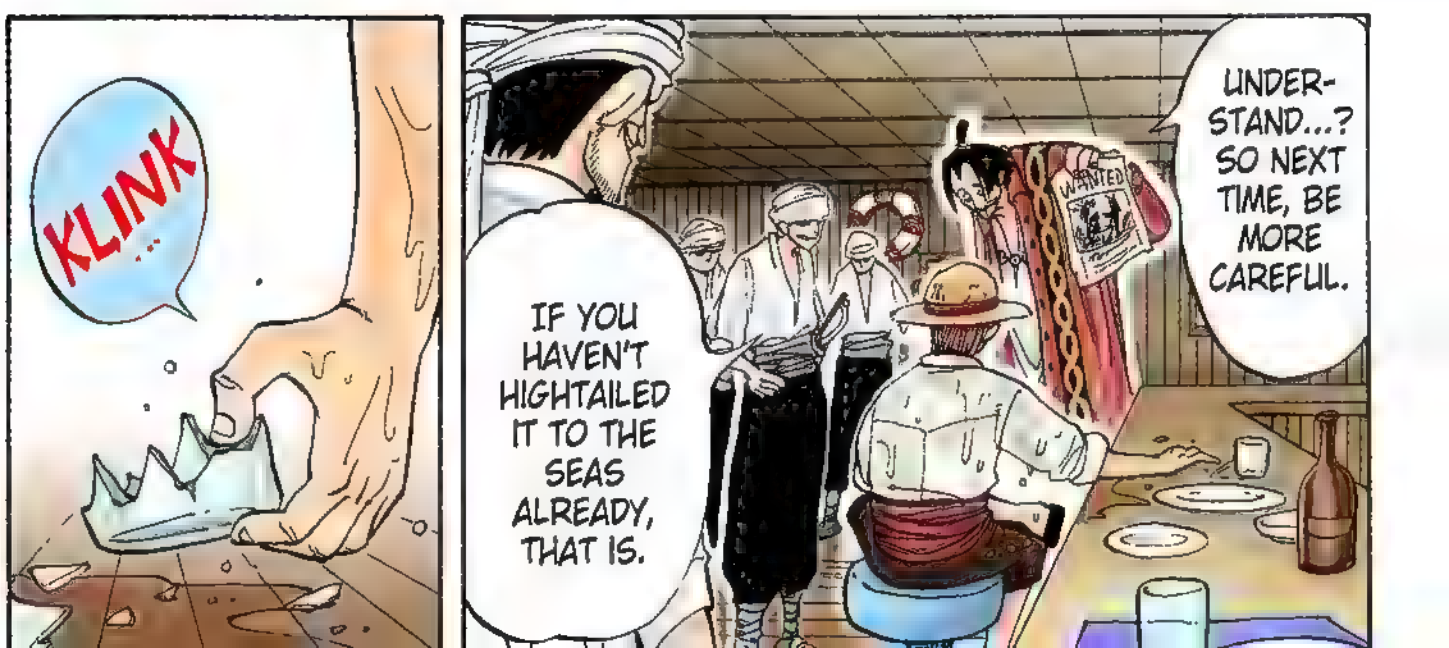
?!!
TINK TINK
...


ANCHOR


WHAT A MESS.
OH MY...
JUST ONE PIECE OF THIS ISN'T ENOUGH EVEN FOR A DRINK BEFORE BED.
HEY PUNK, WHO DO YOU THINK I AM?
THINK TWICE BEFORE MAKING FUN OF ME...
DRIP
ポタ
ポタ
FWIP
ひら!
WANTED
8,000,000
LOOK AT THIS.

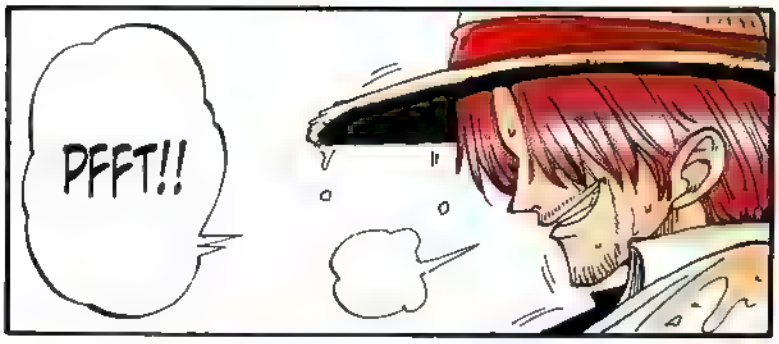

... MOSTLY FOOLS LIKE YOU!
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW, I'VE KILLED 56 PEOPLE ...
THAT MAKES ME A WANTED MAN OF THE HIGHEST PRIORITY.
MY HEAD'S WORTH 8 MILLION BERRIES.

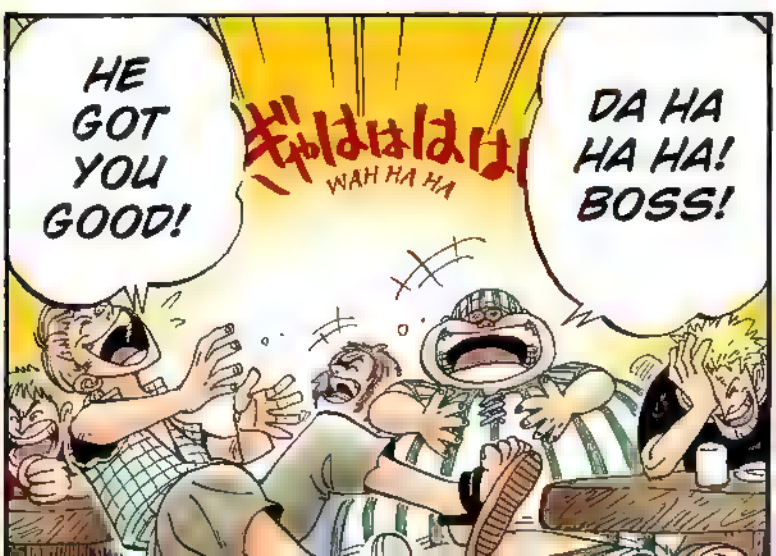

KLINK
...
IF YOU HAVEN'T HIGHTAILED IT TO THE SEAS ALREADY, THAT IS.
UNDER-STAND...? SO NEXT TIME, BE MORE CAREFUL.
WANTED

...
SHHHK
Z...
SORRY ABOUT THIS MESS, MAKINO.
UH...
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
GIVE ME A RAG AND I'LL CLEAN UP.
!!!
!
KRASH
HMPH!
THAT OUGHT TO KEEP YOU BUSY FOR A WHILE.
SO, YOU LIKE TO CLEAN?

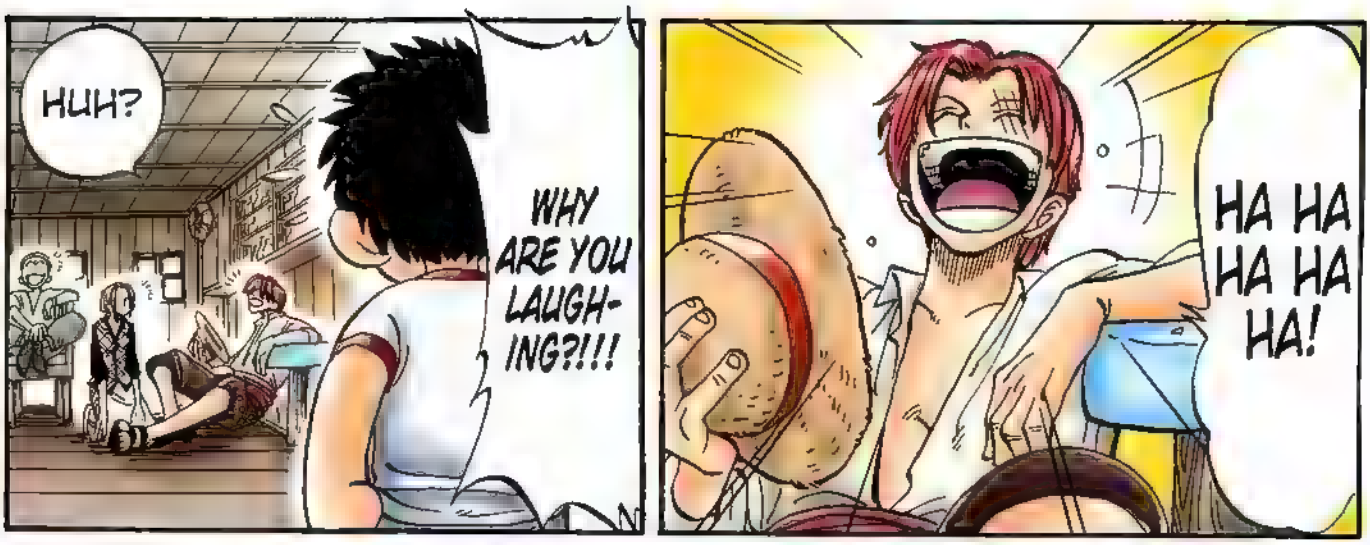
COWARDS.
SEE YOU AROUND,

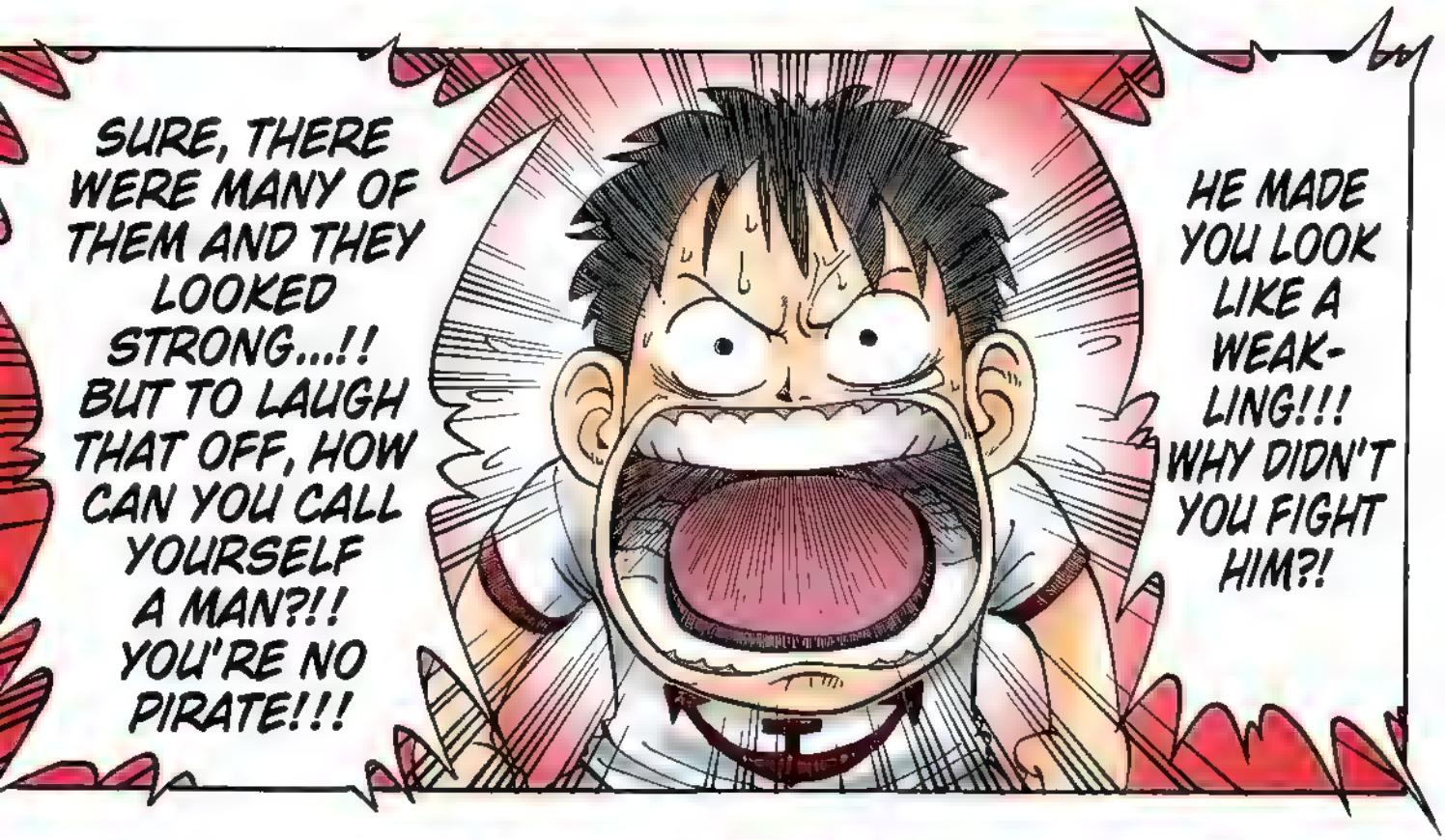
LET'S HIT ANOTHER VILLAGE.
PARTY'S BAR
WHO'S HEARD OF A BAR WITH NO GROG?


PFFT!!


HE GOT YOU GOOD!
ぎゃはははは
WAH HA HA
DA HA HA HA! BOSS!

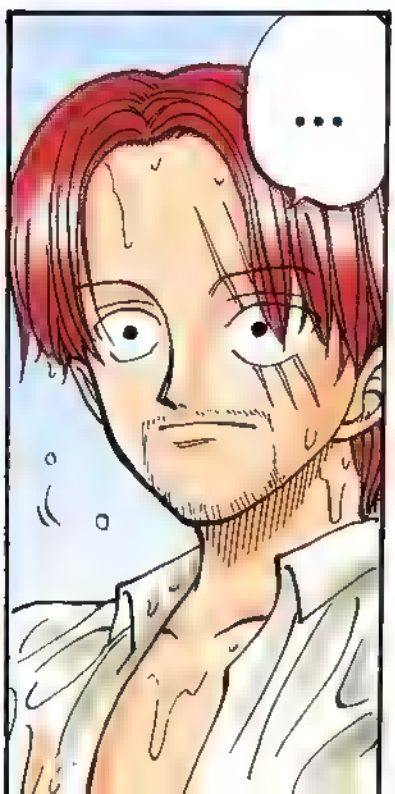
ARE YOU HURT?
MR. CAPTAIN, ARE YOU OKAY?!
I'M FINE. NO HARM DONE.


HUH?
WHY ARE YOU LAUGH-ING?!!!
HA HA HA HA HA!


SURE, THERE WERE MANY OF THEM AND THEY LOOKED STRONG...!! BUT TO LAUGH THAT OFF, HOW CAN YOU CALL YOURSELF A MAN?!! YOU'RE NO PIRATE!!!
HE MADE YOU LOOK LIKE A WEAK-LING!!! WHY DIDN'T YOU FIGHT HIM?!

LET ME GO! I DON'T WANNA GET INFECTED WITH YOUR COWARDICE!!
HEY LUFFY, COME ON...
STOMP
STOMP
GRAB

...HE JUST SPILLED SOME GROG ON ME. THAT'S NOTHING WORTH GETTING ANGRY OVER, RIGHT?
I GET HOW YOU FEEL, BUT...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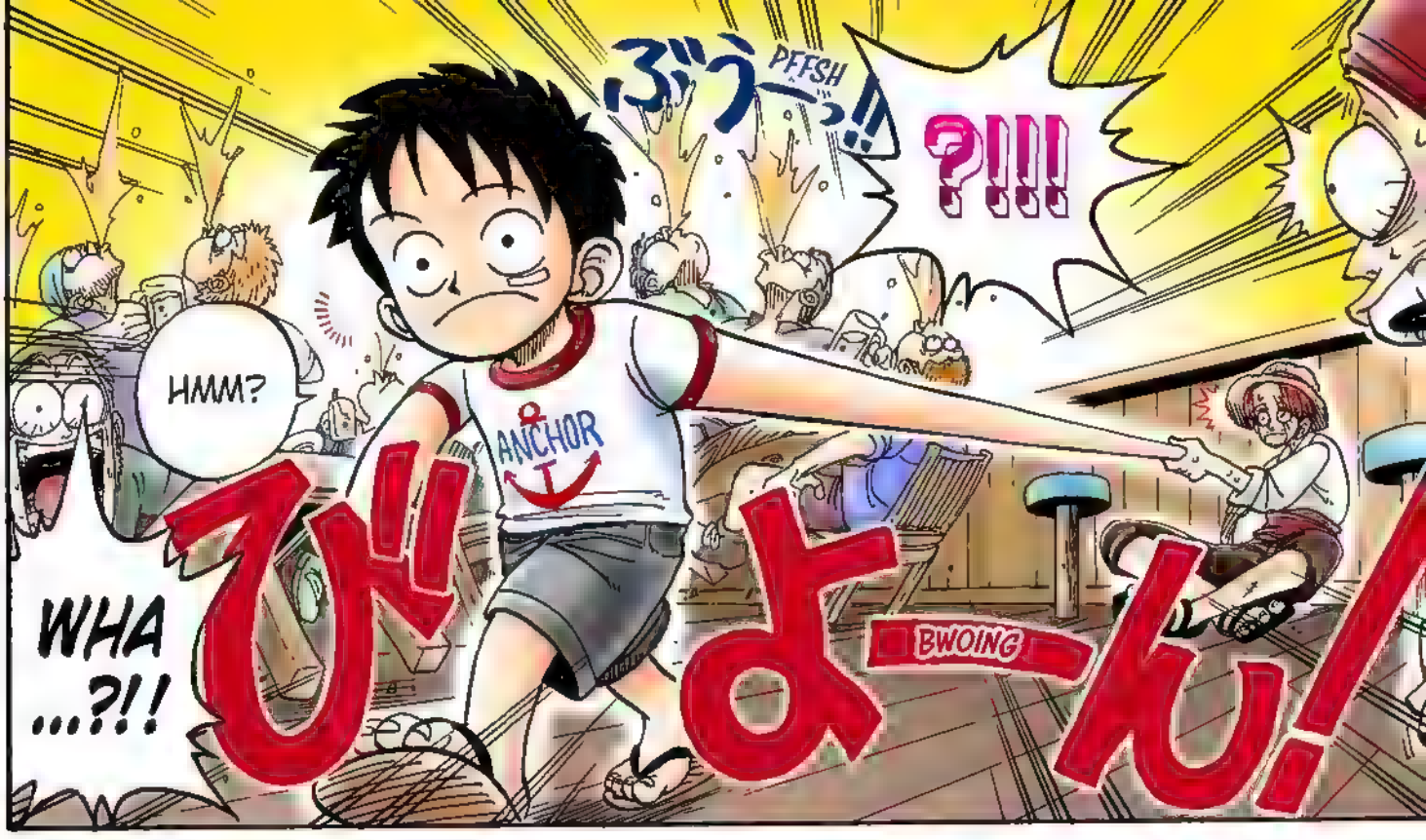
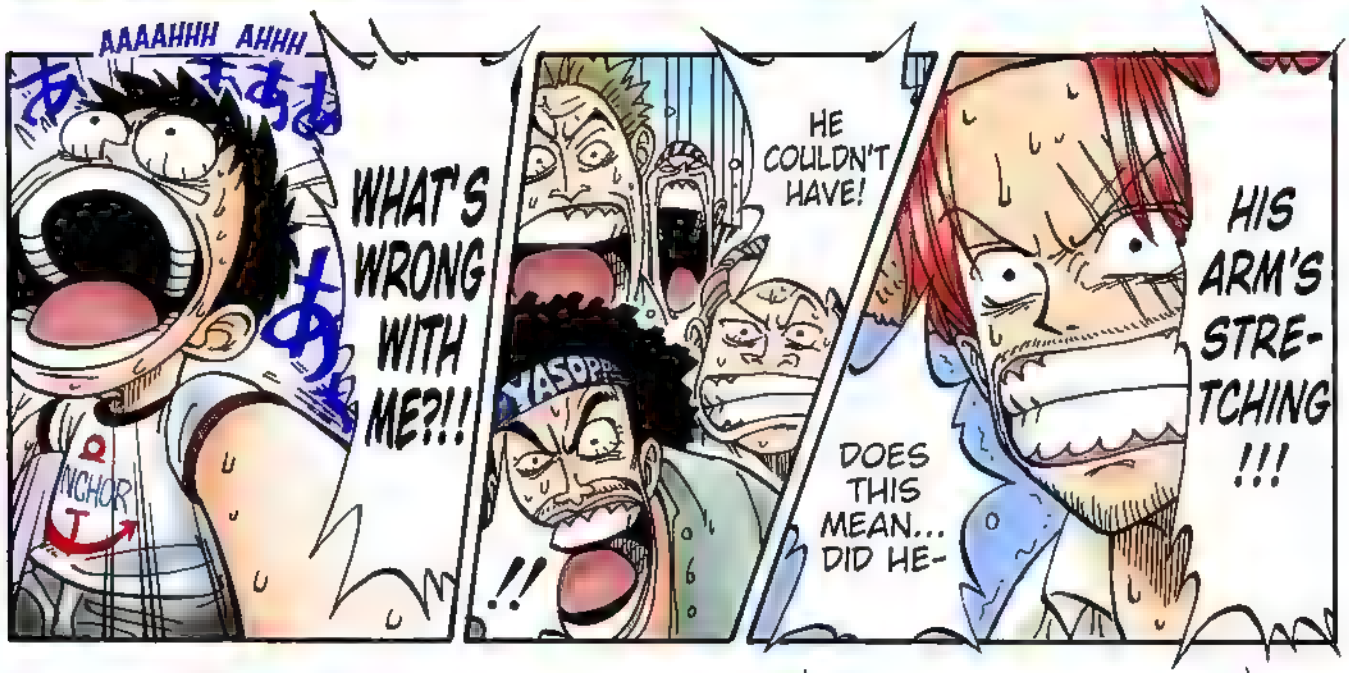

ぶうっ PFFSH
?!!!
HMM?
ANCHOR
WHA ...?!!
びよーん!
BWOING


AAAAHHH AHHH
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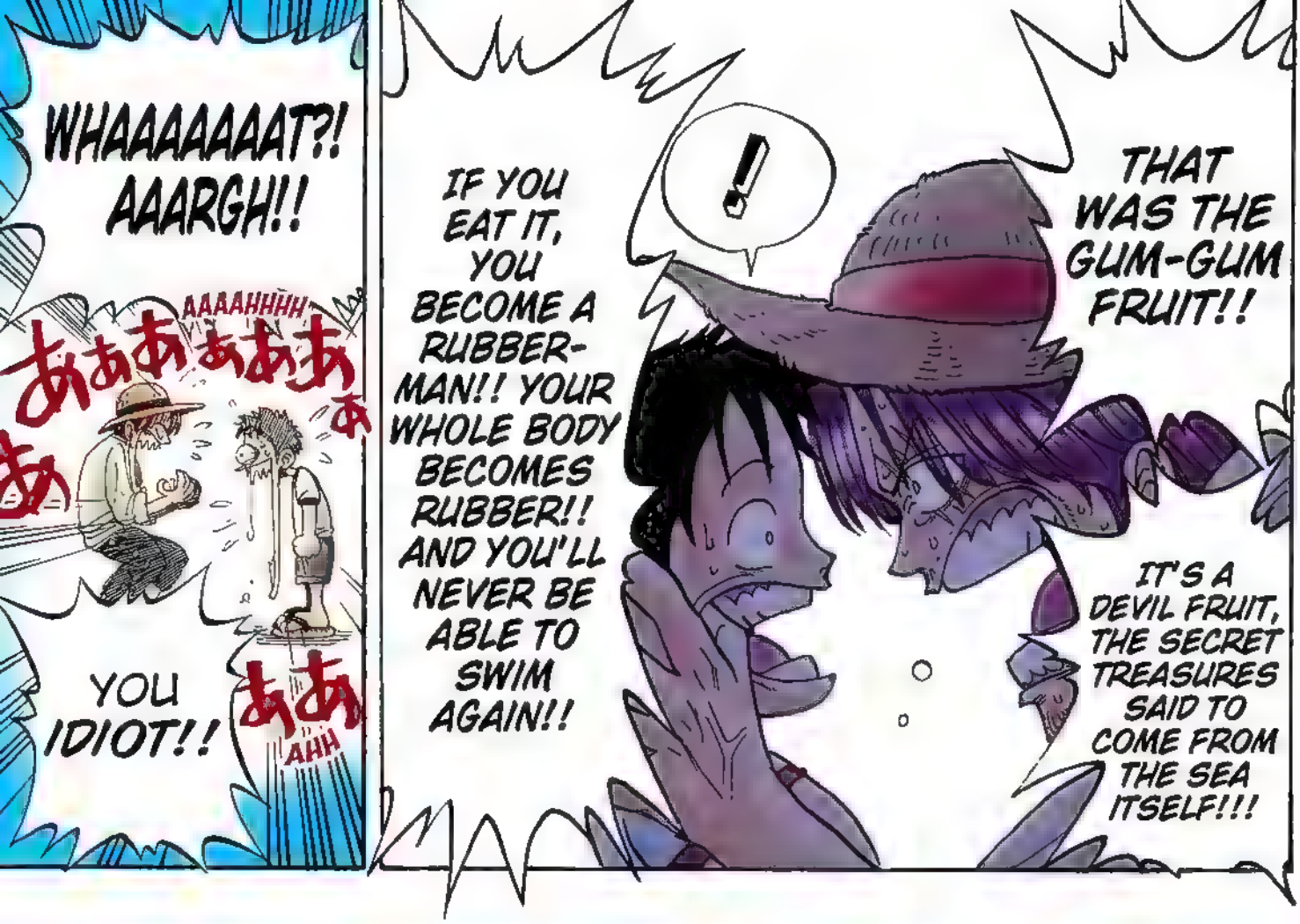
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?!!
ANCHOR
!!
HE COULDN'T HAVE!
DOES THIS MEAN... DID HE-
HIS ARM'S STRE-TCHING !!!

YEAH... I ATE IT FOR DESSERT!!
!
LUFFY! YOU DIDN'T EAT THIS FRUIT, DID YOU?!
THE TASTE WAS AWFUL THOUGH...

THE GUM-GUM FRUIT WE TOOK FROM THAT ENEMY SHIP!!!
HUH?!
IT'S NOT HERE!!


WHAAAAAAAT?! AAARGH!!
AAAAHHHH
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YOU IDIOT!!
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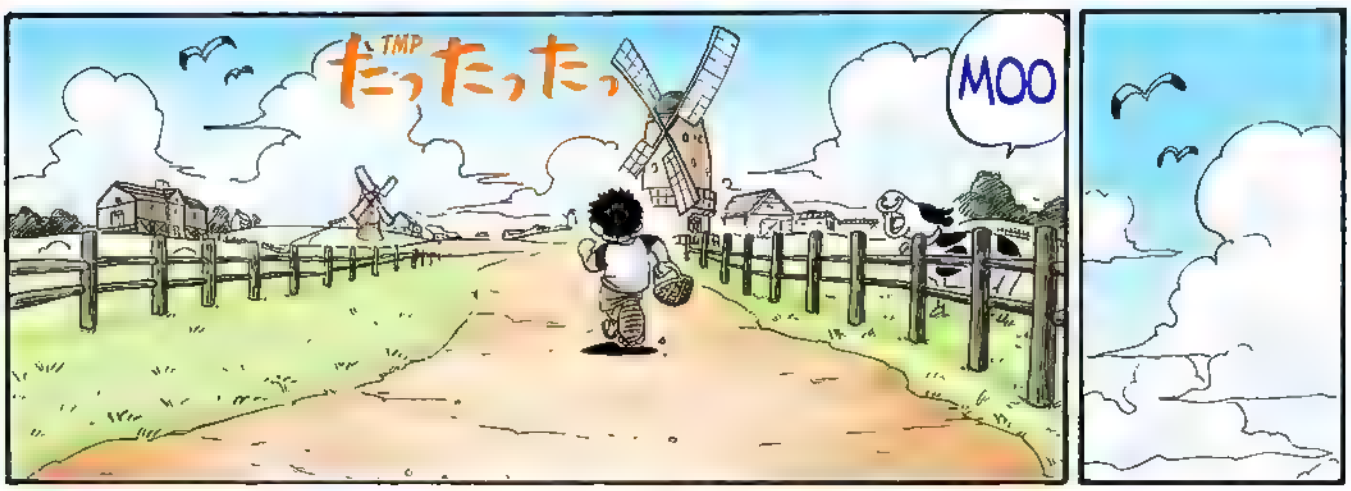
AHH
IF YOU EAT IT, YOU BECOME A RUBBER-MAN!! YOUR WHOLE BODY BECOMES RUBBER!! AND YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SWIM AGAIN!!
!
THAT WAS THE GUM-GUM FRUIT!!
IT'S A DEVIL FRUIT, THE SECRET TREASURES SAID TO COME FROM THE SEA ITSELF!!!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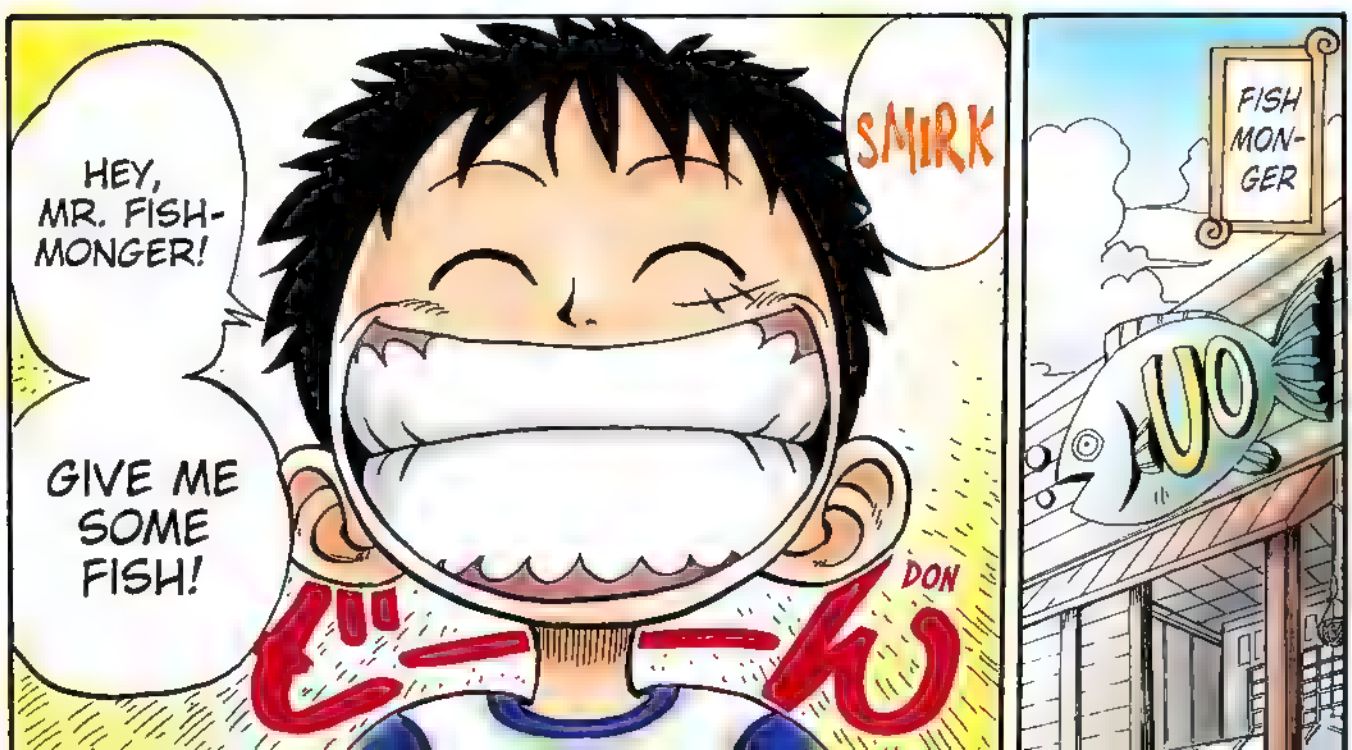
HEY, MR. FISH-MONGER!
GIVE ME SOME FISH!
SMIRK
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DON
FISH MON-GER
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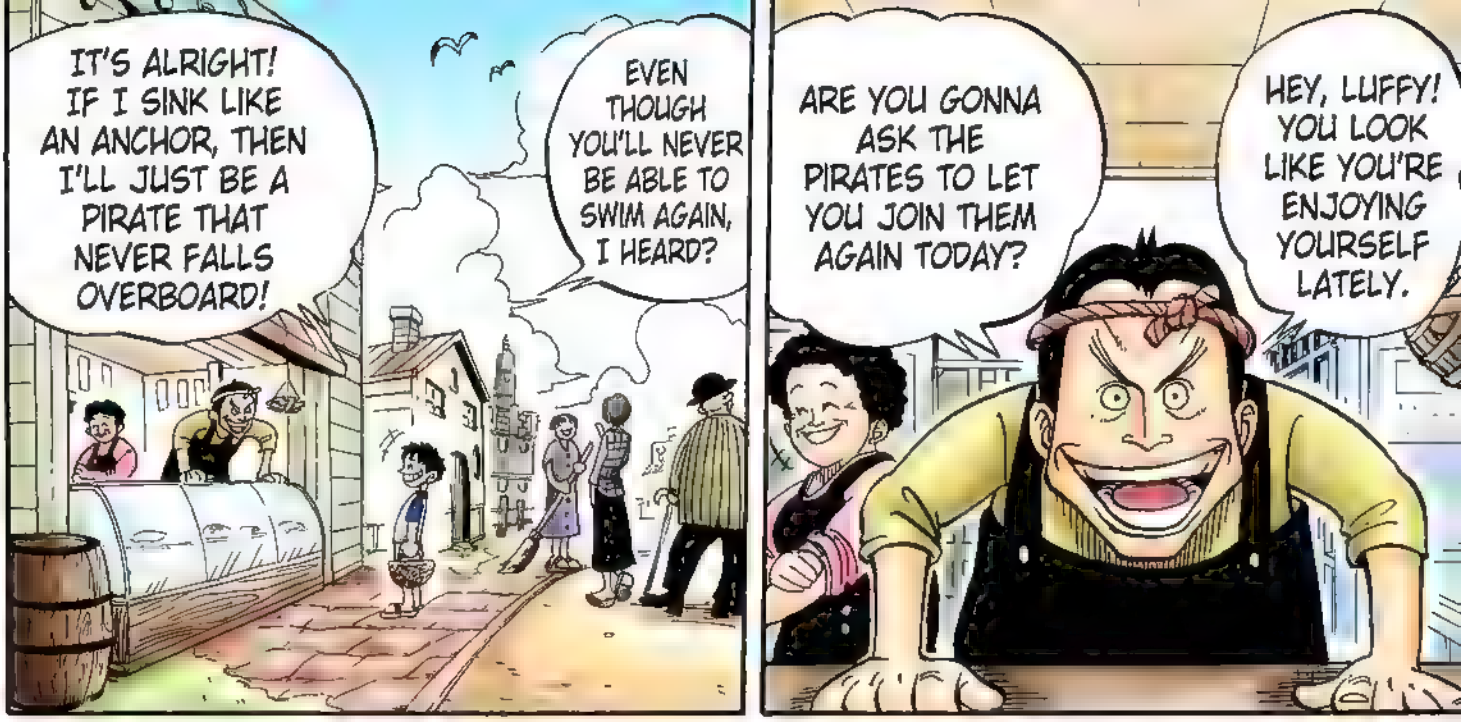
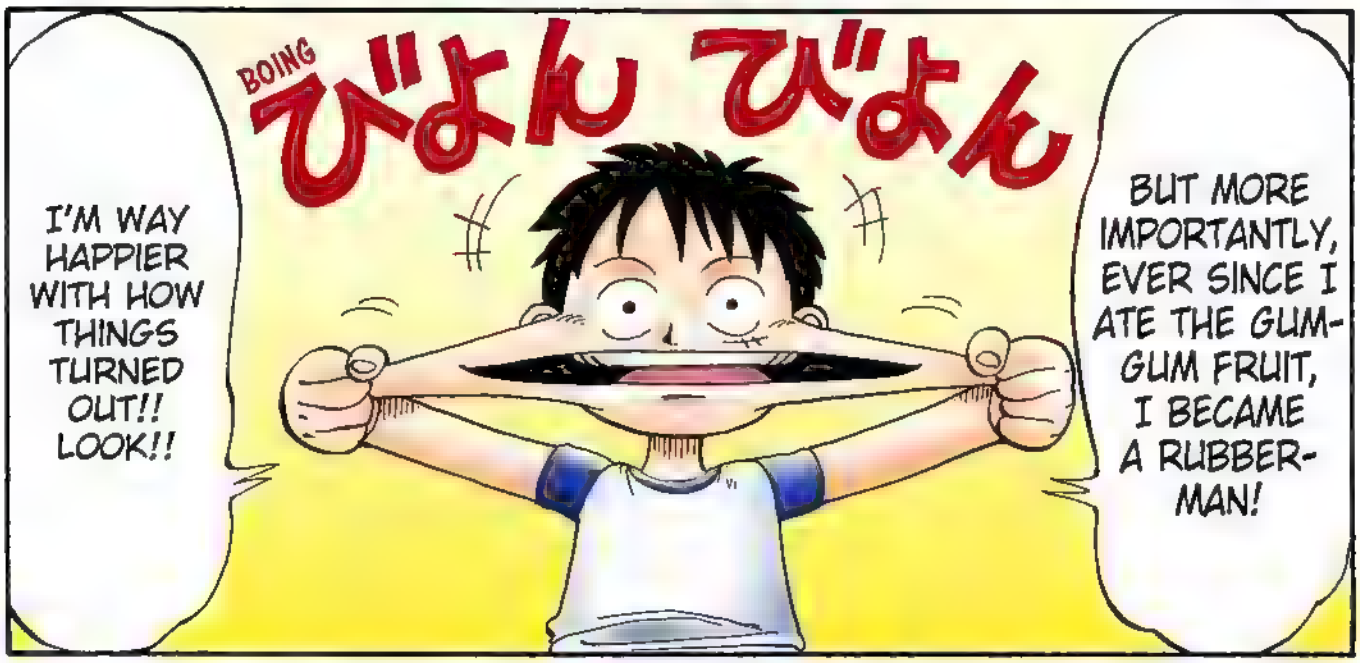

IT'S ALRIGHT! IF I SINK LIKE AN ANCHOR, THEN I'LL JUST BE A PIRATE THAT NEVER FALLS OVERBOARD!
EVEN THOUGH YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SWIM AGAIN, I HEARD?
ARE YOU GONNA ASK THE PIRATES TO LET YOU JOIN THEM AGAIN TODAY?
HEY, LUFFY! YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ENJOYING YOURSELF LATELY.


I'M WAY HAPPIER WITH HOW THINGS TURNED OUT!! LOOK!!
BOING びよん びよん
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, EVER SINCE I ATE THE GUM-GUM FRUIT, I BECAME A RUBBER-MAN!

NOW, THE CAPTAIN'S NOT SUCH A BAD FELLOW, BUT YOU STAY AWAY FROM THOSE PIRATES!
IT'D MAKE THE VILLAGE LOOK BAD!!
FOR THE LAST TIME, LUFFY, I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO BECOME A PIRATE!
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BLAH
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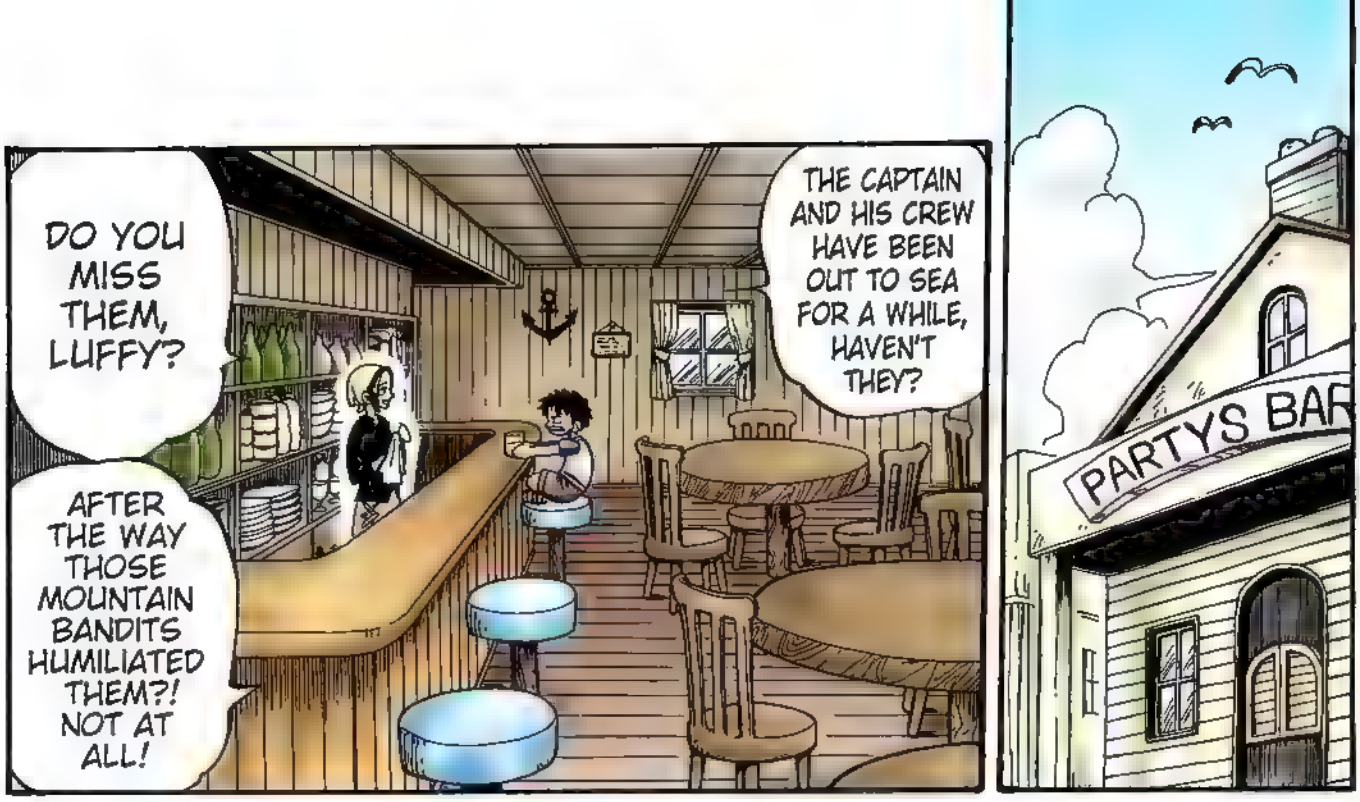
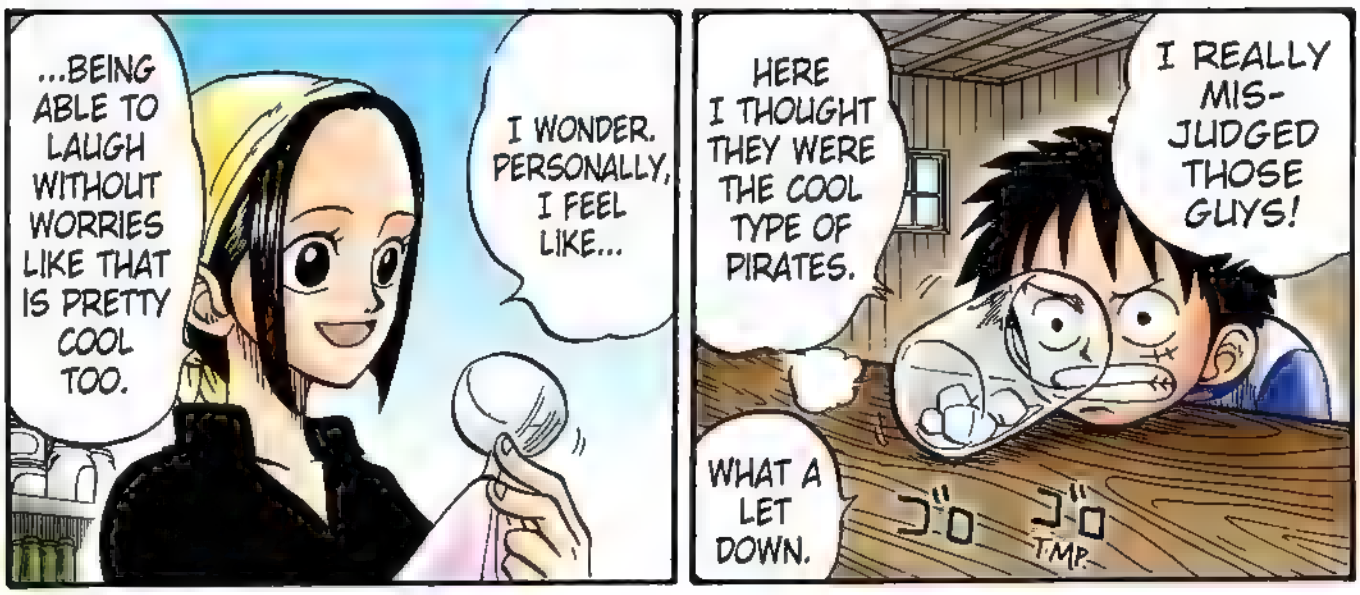
...WHAT GOOD IS GOING TO COME OUT OF HAVING A BODY OF RUBBER?!!
WHAT OF IT?!! EVEN IF THE PEOPLE OF THE VILLAGE FIND IT AMUSING HOW STRANGE IT IS...
AH, THE MAYOR!
DON


DO YOU MISS THEM, LUFFY?
AFTER THE WAY THOSE MOUNTAIN BANDITS HUMILIATED THEM?! NOT AT ALL!
THE CAPTAIN AND HIS CREW HAVE BEEN OUT TO SEA FOR A WHILE, HAVEN'T THEY?
PARTYS BAR


...BEING ABLE TO LAUGH WITHOUT WORRIES LIKE THAT IS PRETTY COOL TOO.
I WONDER. PERSONALLY, I FEEL LIKE...
HERE I THOUGHT THEY WERE THE COOL TYPE OF PIRATES.
I REALLY MIS-JUDGED THOSE GUYS!
WHAT A LET DOWN.
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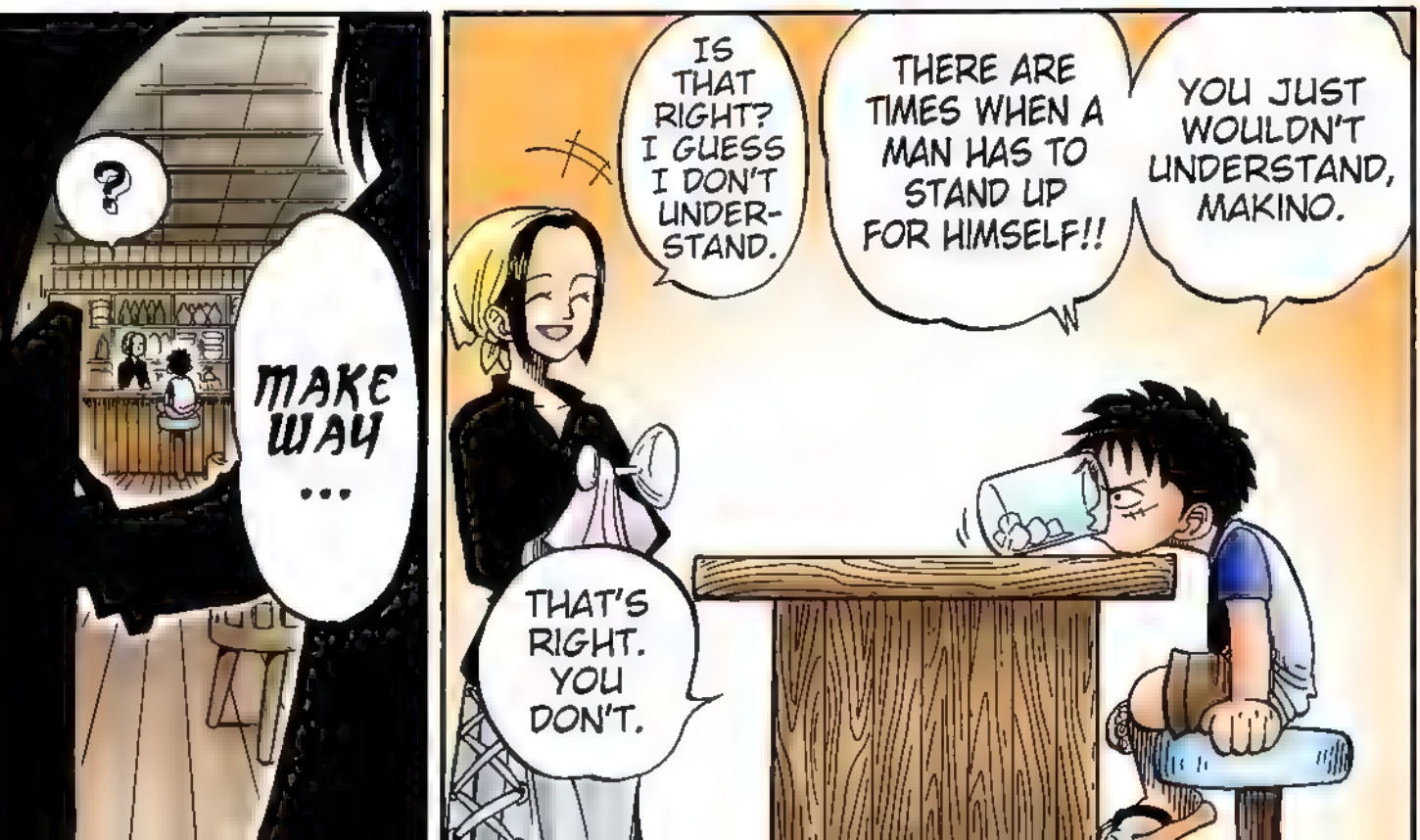
?
MAKE WAY ...
IS THAT RIGHT? I GUESS I DON'T UNDER-STAND.
THERE ARE TIMES WHEN A MAN HAS TO STAND UP FOR HIMSELF!!
YOU JUST WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND, MAKINO.
THAT'S RIGHT. YOU DON'T.

WHA...
!!
HAHAHA
BA BAM
NO PIRATES TODAY, EH? SO MUCH MORE PEACEFUL...
WE WERE IN THE AREA, SO WE STOPPED BY.
SERVE US DRINKS !!!
WE'RE CUSTO-MERS !!!
WUMP
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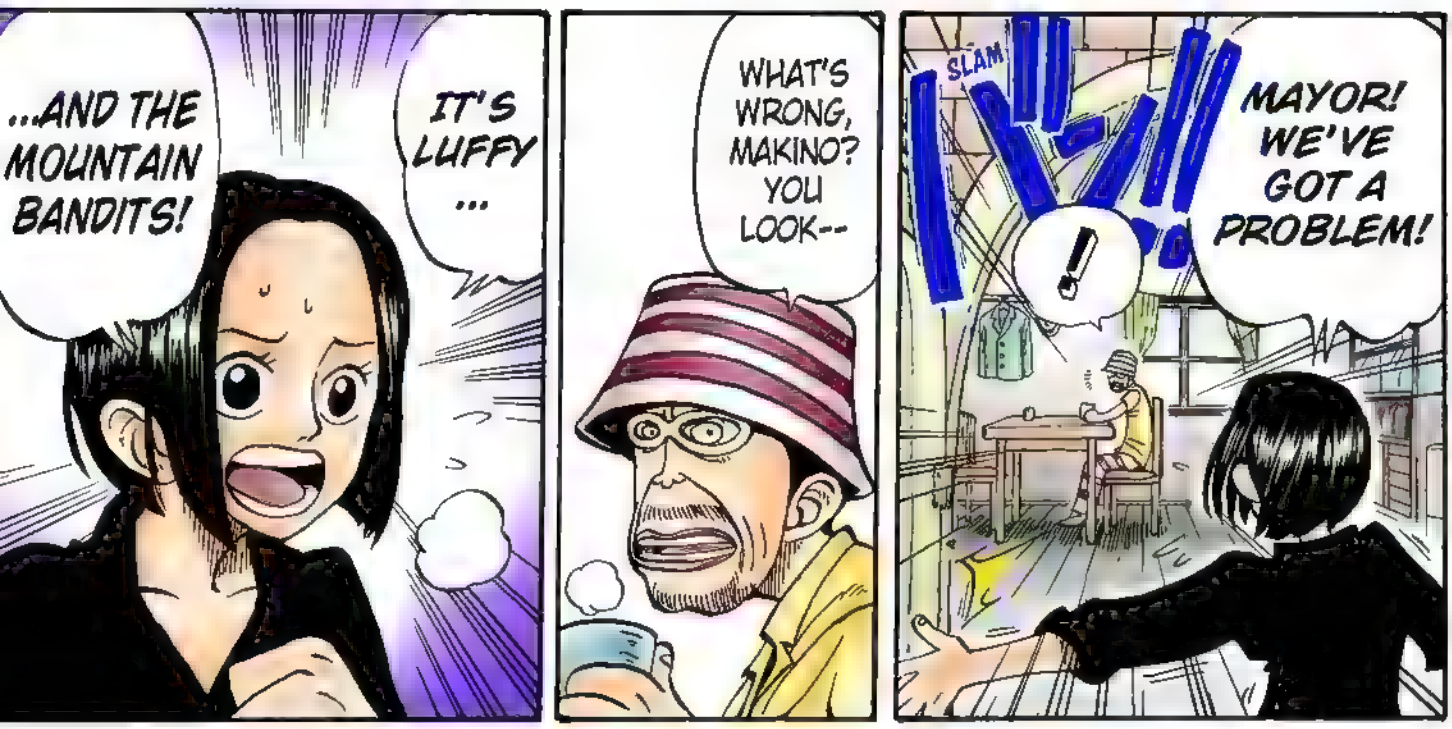
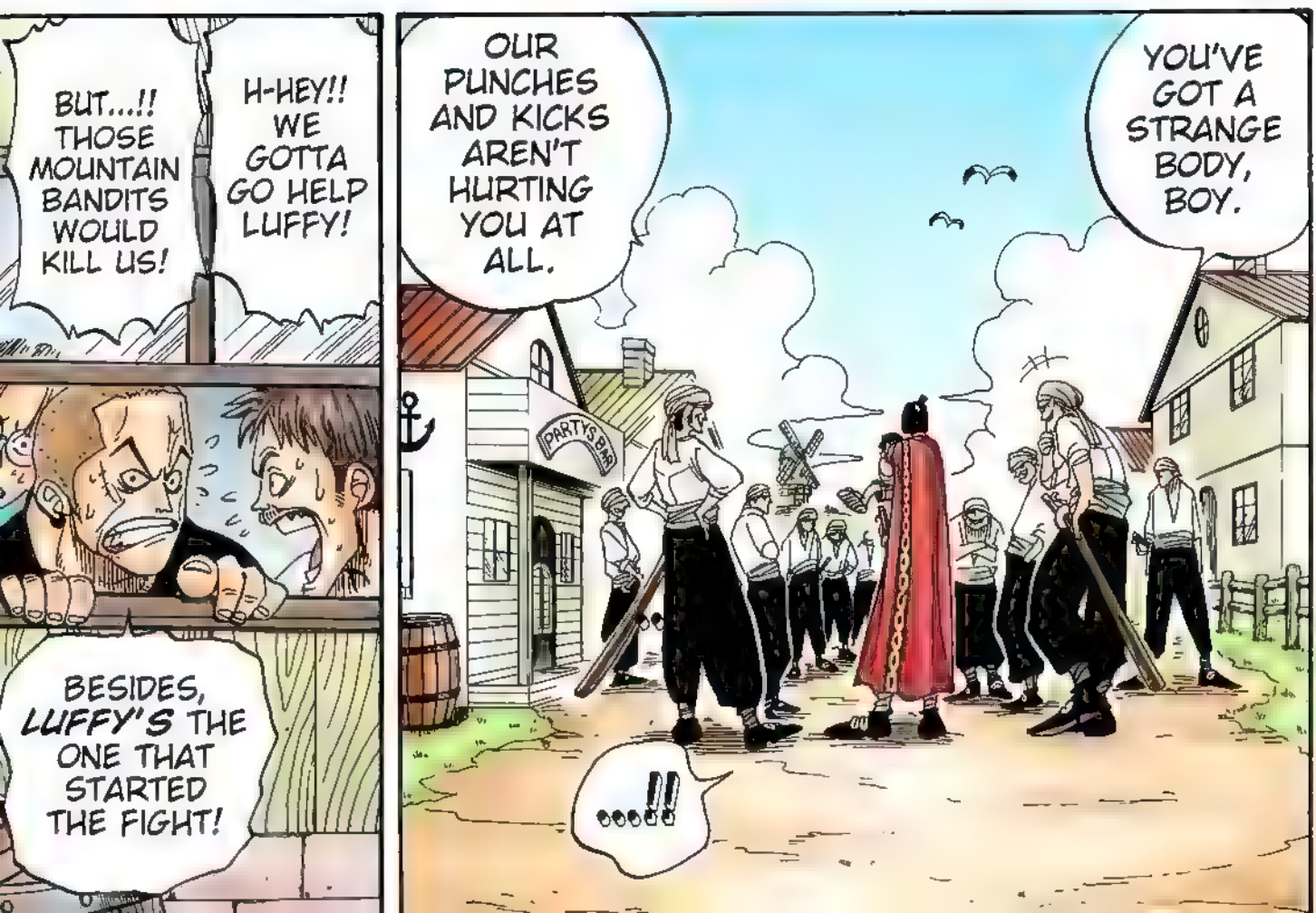
!
WHAT'RE YOU SPACING OUT FOR?!
SLAM!


...AND THE MOUNTAIN BANDITS!
IT'S LUFFY...
WHAT'S WRONG, MAKINO? YOU LOOK--
SLAM
!
MAYOR! WE'VE GOT A PROBLEM!


BUT...!! THOSE MOUNTAIN BANDITS WOULD KILL US!
H-HEY!! WE GOTTA GO HELP LUFFY!
BESIDES, LUFFY'S THE ONE THAT STARTED THE FIGHT!
OUR PUNCHES AND KICKS AREN'T HURTING YOU AT ALL.
YOU'VE GOT A STRANGE BODY, BOY.
PARTY'S BAR
...!!

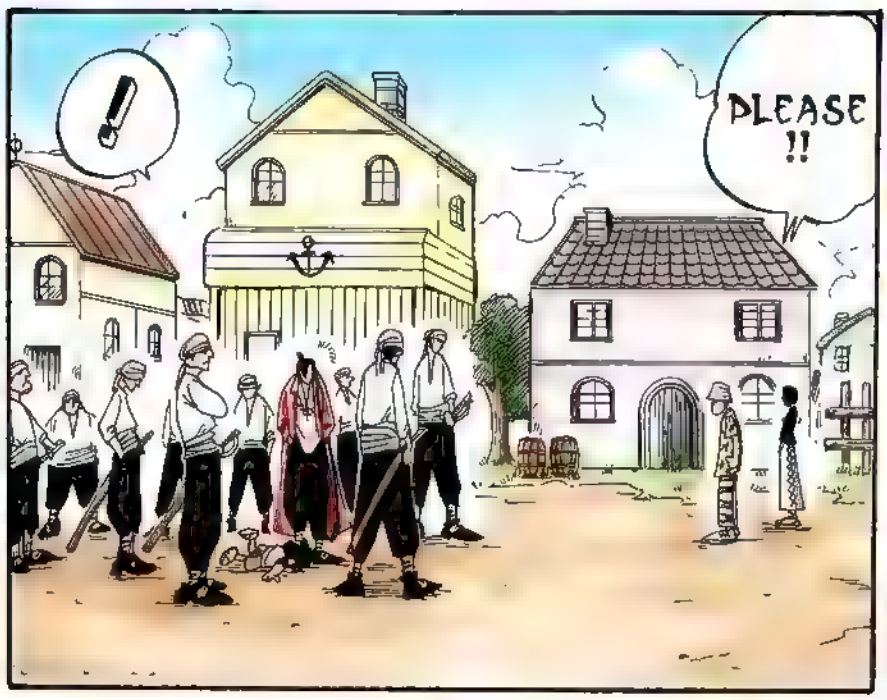
BWOING
YOU JERK !!!
EH, RU-BBER BOY?
THERE SURE ARE SOME WEIRD CREATURES IN THE WORLD...
APOLO-GIZE!! NOW!!!
DAMMIT!!

BWOING
OOF !!
!
WWEEENG

I BET THEY'LL PAY GOOD MONEY FOR YOU.
MAYBE I'LL SELL YOU TO A FREAK SHOW...
I'VE DIS-COVERED A NEW LIFE FORM...
DAMN YOU!!
I'LL MAKE YOU SO SORRY FOR THIS!!

YOU STUBBORN LITTLE...
ROAR
YAAAAH!!
!
...BRAT.
I WAS JUST DRINKING AND TALKING TO MY MEN.
I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING TO OFFEND YOU.
STOMP
YES YOU DID!!
APOLO-GIZE, DAMMIT!!
!!!

YOU STU-PID BAN-DIT!!
MOVE YOUR FOOT ...
WHY'D HE HAVE TO PICK A FIGHT WITH THOSE GUYS?!
DAMN THAT LUFFY!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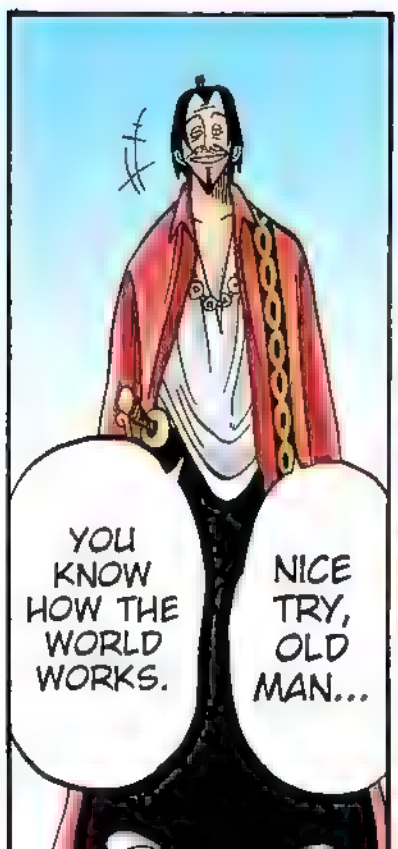
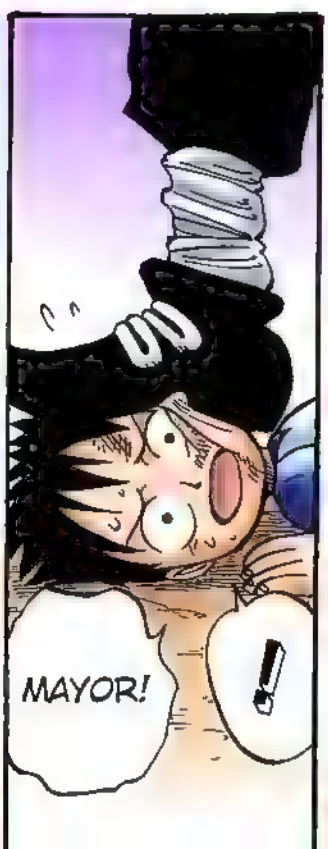
PLEASE !!

PLEASE LET THE BOY GO !!


YOU KNOW HOW THE WORLD WORKS.
NICE TRY, OLD MAN...


MAYOR!
!

IF YOU NEED AN APOLOGY, WE CAN PAY!!
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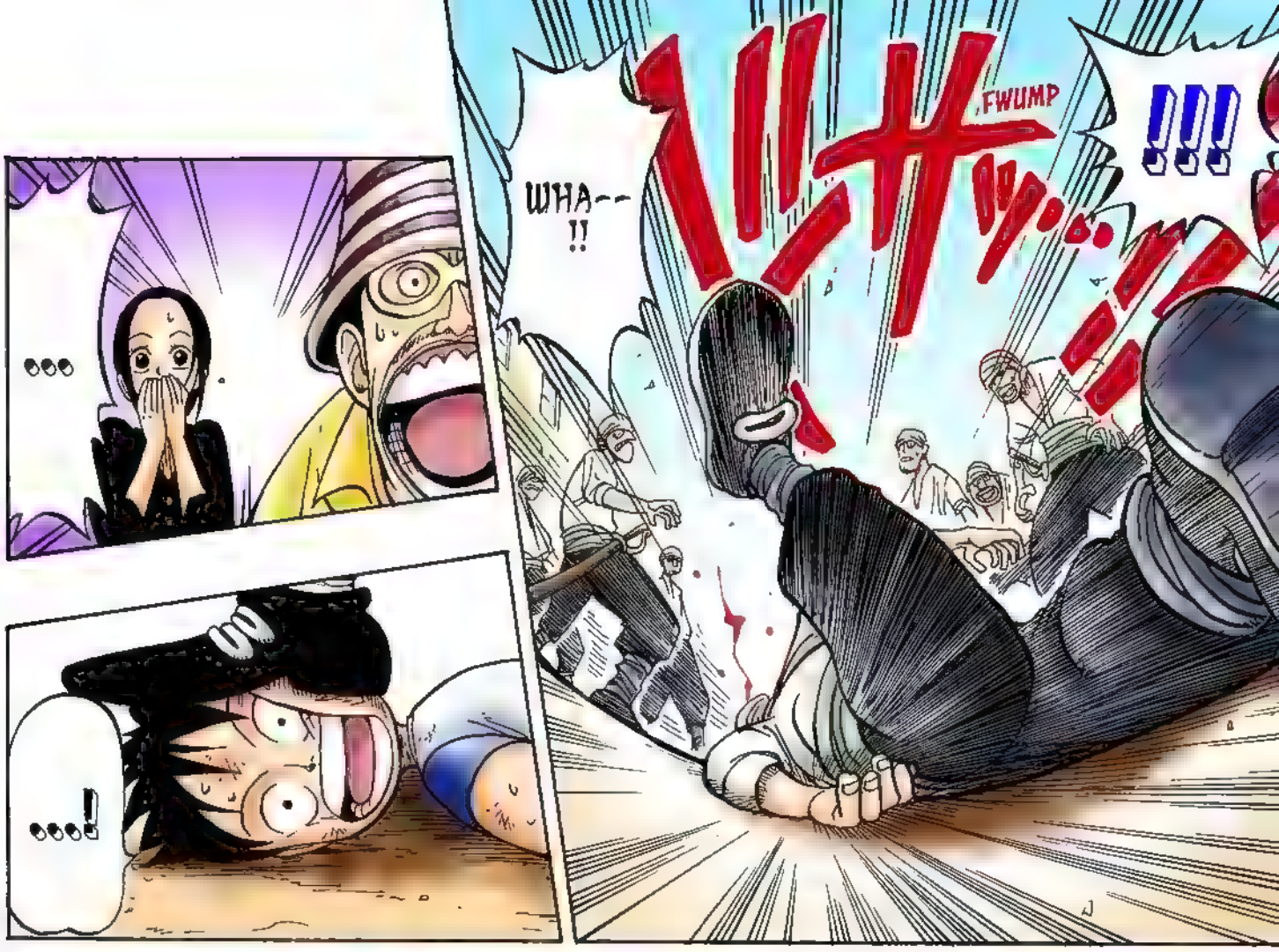
BOW
I DON'T KNOW WHAT LUFFY DID...
AND I HAVE NO INTENTION OF FIGHTING YOU PEOPLE...
BUT PLEASE LET US HELP THE BOY GO FREE!!

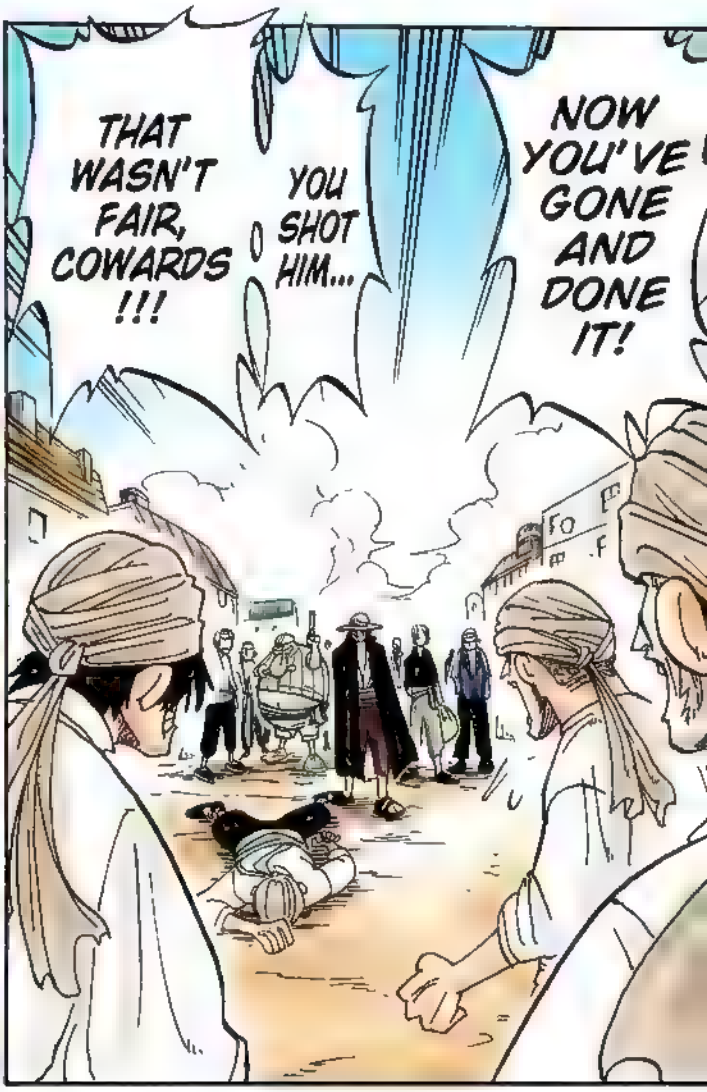
BWANG!!!
...IS BEYOND HUMI-LIATING!!
THE FACT THIS SPINELESS RUBBER BRAT THINKS HE CAN STAND UP TO ME...
HE'S DONE THE UNFOR-GIVABLE... PISSING ME OFF!!
BUT I'M AFRAID IT'S TOO LATE!!
THERE'S NO MORE HELPING HIM.
YOU MOUN-TAIN APE!!!
YOU'RE THE ONES WHO STARTED THIS!!
PLEASE! FORGIVE HIM!
LUFFY!
I'M KILLING YOU RIGHT HERE AND NOW.
THAT DOES IT. I'M NOT GONNA SELL YOU.
SHIRR スラッ...
!
I WAS WONDERING WHAT WAS GOING ON...
NOBODY CAME TO GREET US AT THE HARBOR.
!

LUFFY! I THOUGHT YOUR PUNCH WAS AS POWERFUL AS A PISTOL.
!!!
DON
MR. CAP-TAIN!!
IF IT ISN'T THE LOCAL MOUNTAIN BANDITS!
COME ANY CLOSER AND WE'LL HAVE TO KILL YOU... COWARDS.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU WANT, BUT YOU'D BETTER BACK OFF BEFORE YOU GET HURT.
...
...!! SHUT UP!!
...!!
TAKING A BREAK FROM YOUR CLEANING DUTIES?
HMPH! YOU PIRATES ARE STILL HERE?

HEH HEH HEH HEH!!
KLIK...
HEY, BASTARD, DIDN'T YOU HEAR HIM?! DON'T TAKE ANOTHER STEP...
...OR I'LL BLOW YOUR HEAD OFF! HA HA HA HA!!
HUH?! WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
PULLING OUT YOUR PISTOL...
...MEANS PUTTING YOUR LIFE ON THE LINE.
BOOM
I'M SAYING THIS IS NO TOOL TO THREATEN OTHERS...


...
WHA--
!!
FWUMP
!!!
...!

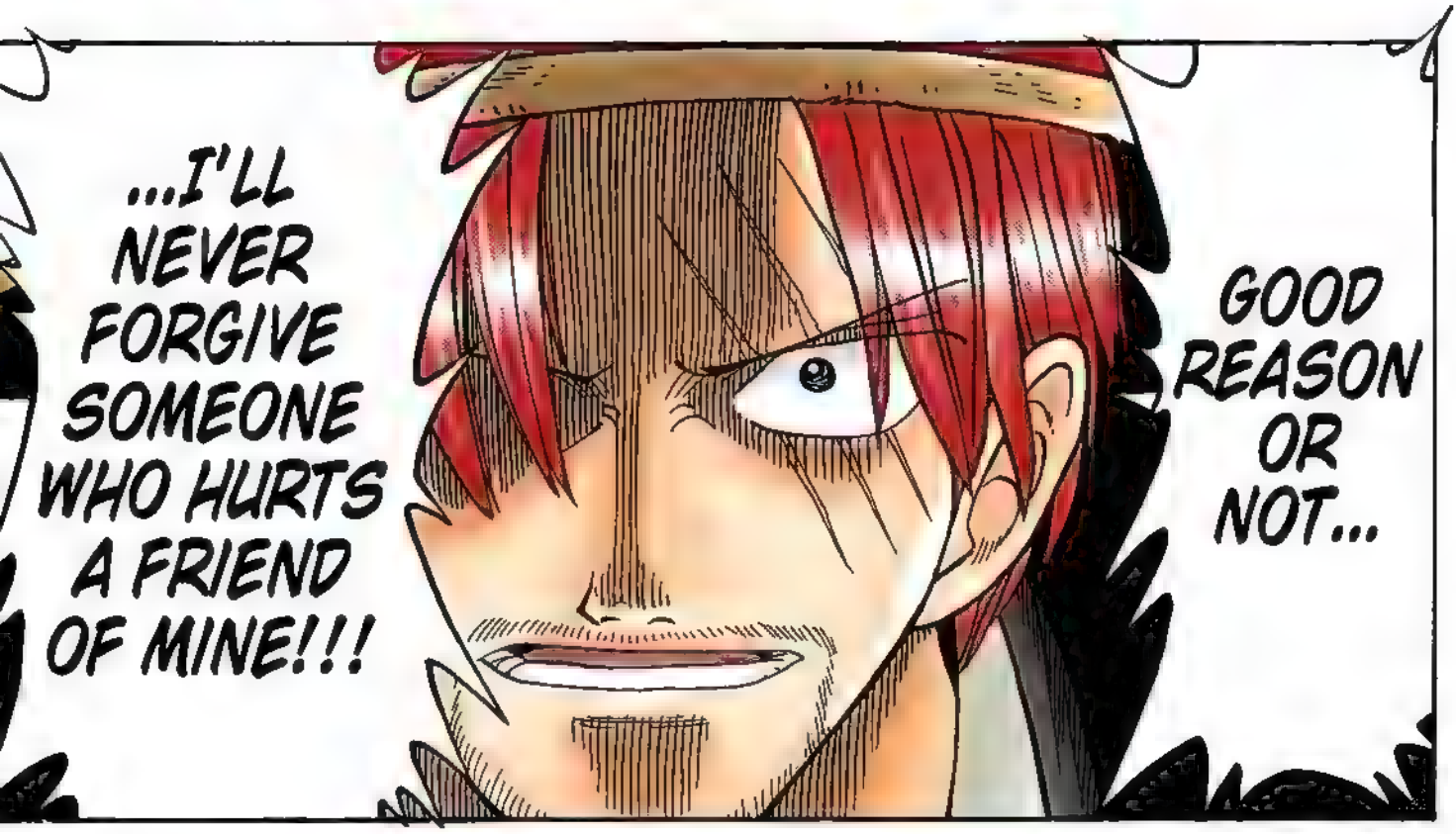
YOU'RE NOT DEALING WITH SAINTS HERE.
DON'T BE NAIVE.
FAIR?

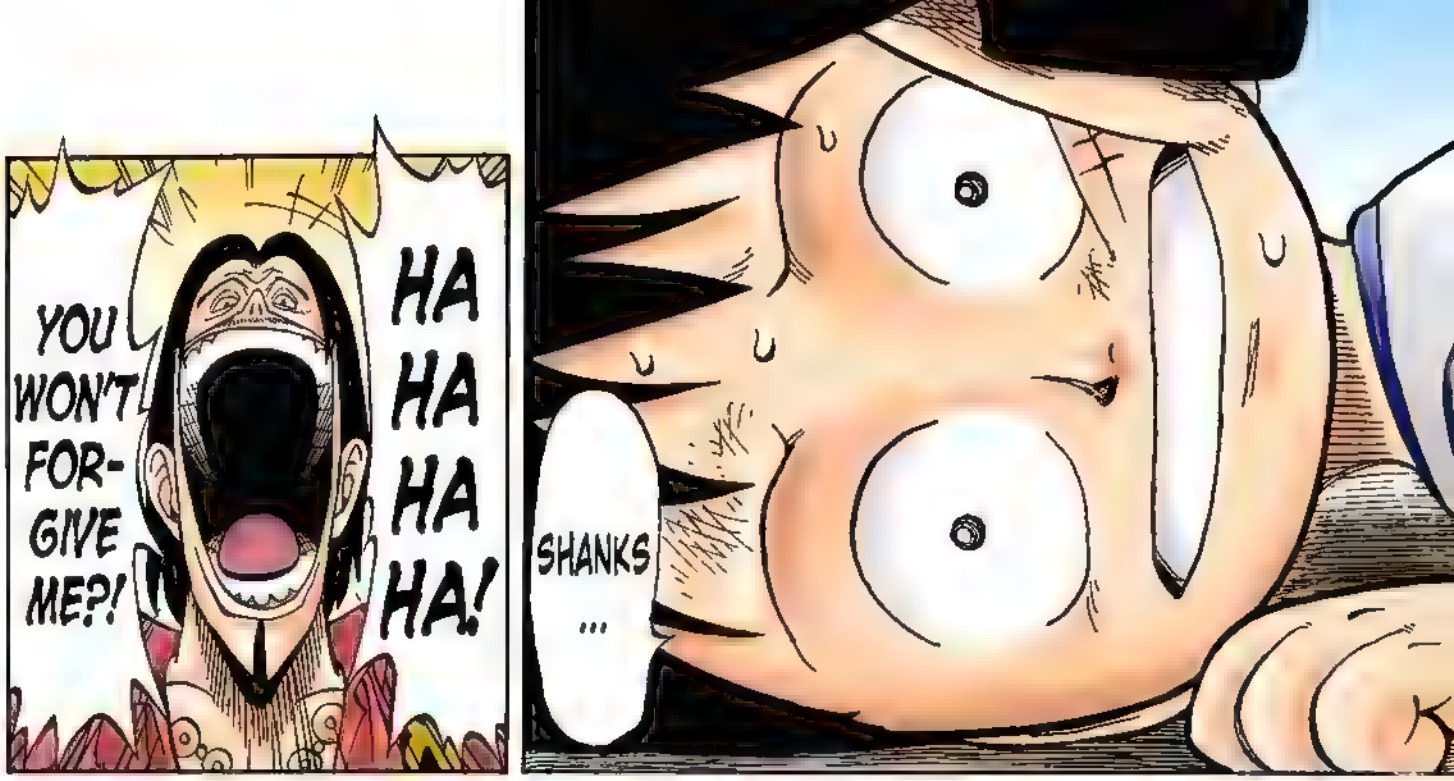

THAT WASN'T FAIR, COWARDS !!!
YOU SHOT HIM...
NOW YOU'VE GONE AND DONE IT!

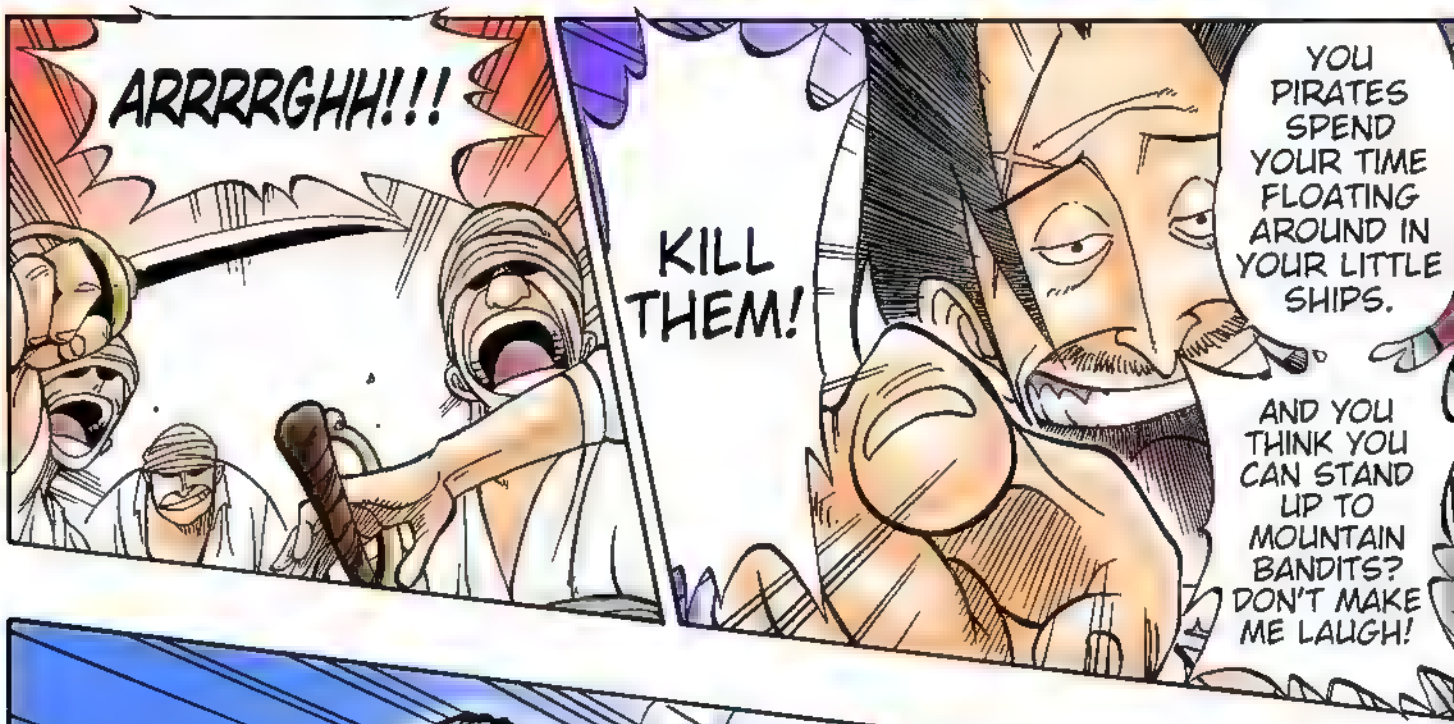
...ARE PIRATES!
WHAT YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU...

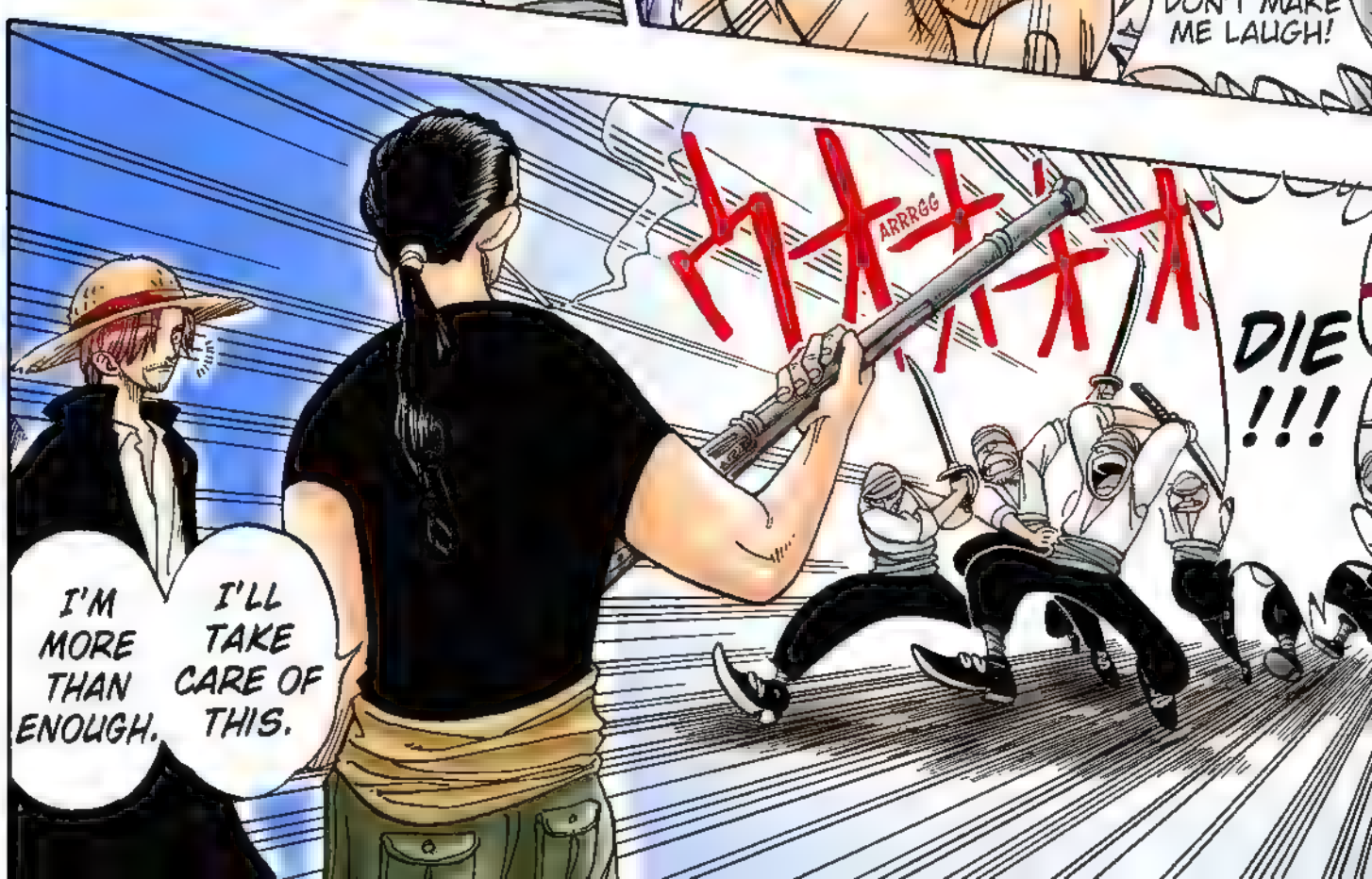
YOU CAN EVEN SPIT ON ME. I'LL JUST LAUGH THAT STUFF OFF.
BUT...
LISTEN UP, BANDITS...
YOU CAN POUR DRINKS ON ME, YOU CAN THROW FOOD AT ME...

...SHUT UP!! THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU TO BEGIN WITH!!


...I'LL NEVER FORGIVE SOMEONE WHO HURTS A FRIEND OF MINE!!!
GOOD REASON OR NOT...


HA HA HA HA!
YOU WON'T FOR-GIVE ME?!
SHANKS ...


ARRRRGHH!!!
KILL THEM!
YOU PIRATES SPEND YOUR TIME FLOATING AROUND IN YOUR LITTLE SHIPS.
AND YOU THINK YOU CAN STAND UP TO MOUNTAIN BANDITS? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!


I'M MORE THAN ENOUGH.
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS.
ARRRGG
DIE !!!

TSSS...!!
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YAAAAA!!!
GRAB
YEOOWWW!!!
WHACK
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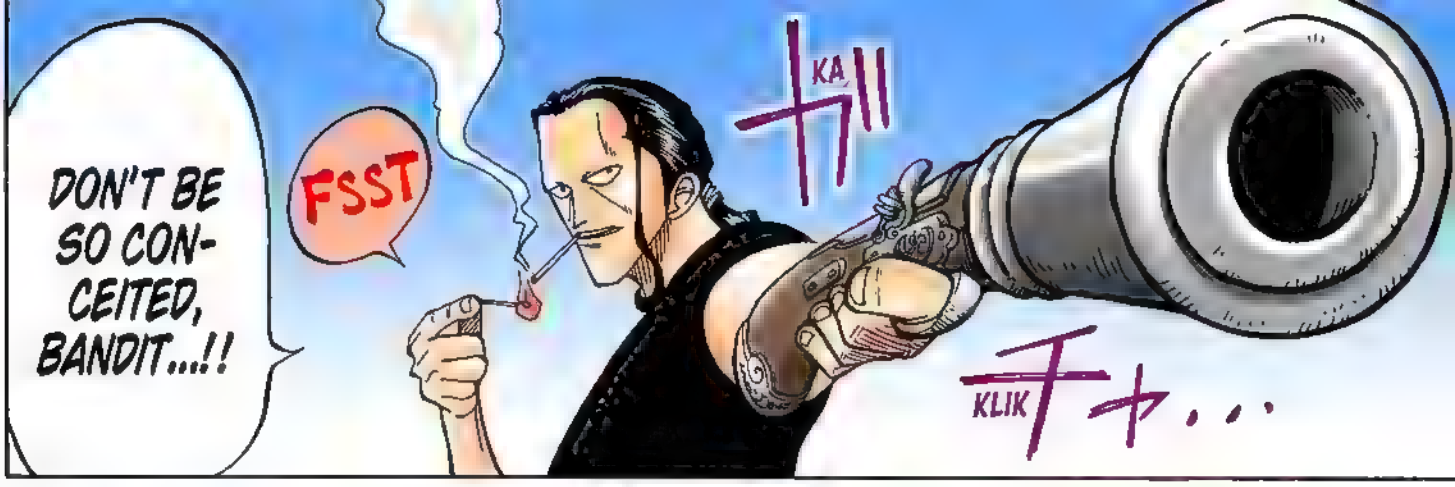
DON'T BE SO CONCEITED, BANDIT...!!
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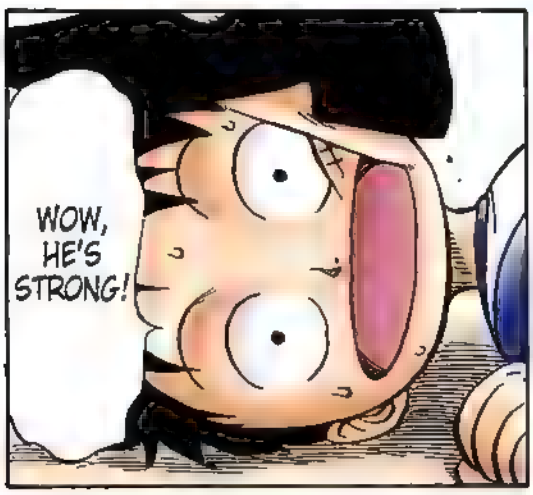
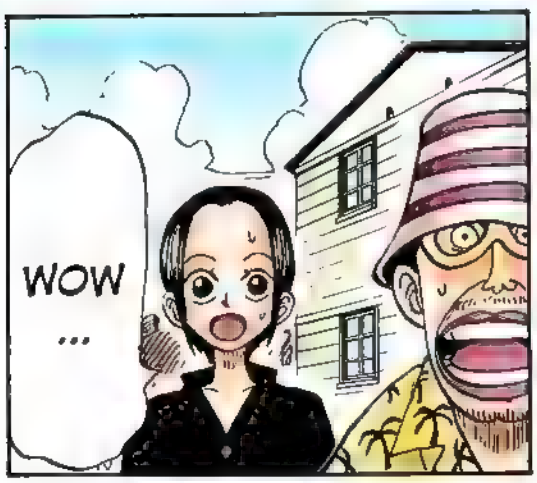
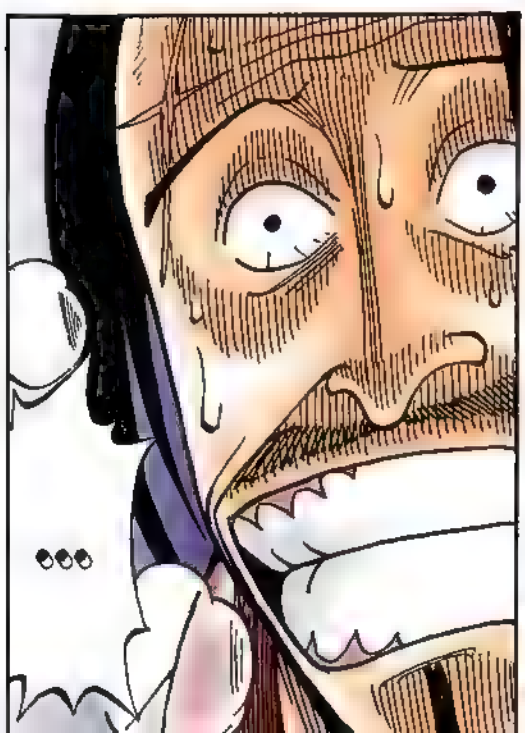

WOW, HE'S STRONG!


WOW ...

YOU BETTER BRING A BATTLESHIP.
IF YOU WANNA FIGHT US...
PARTY'S BAR
...!!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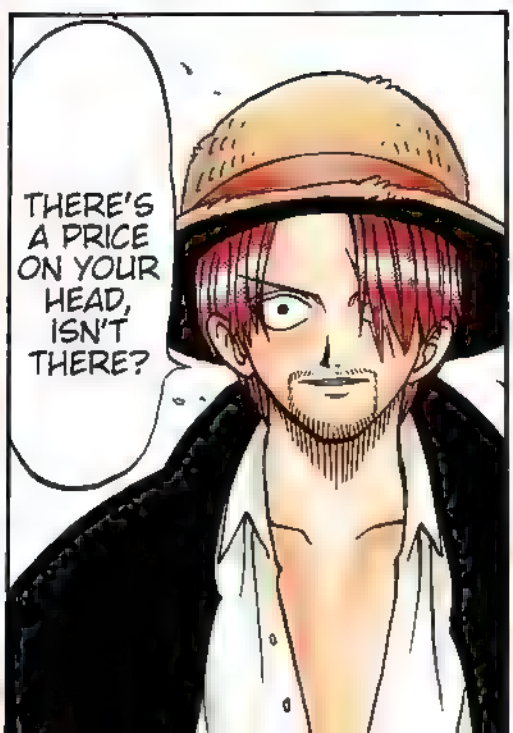
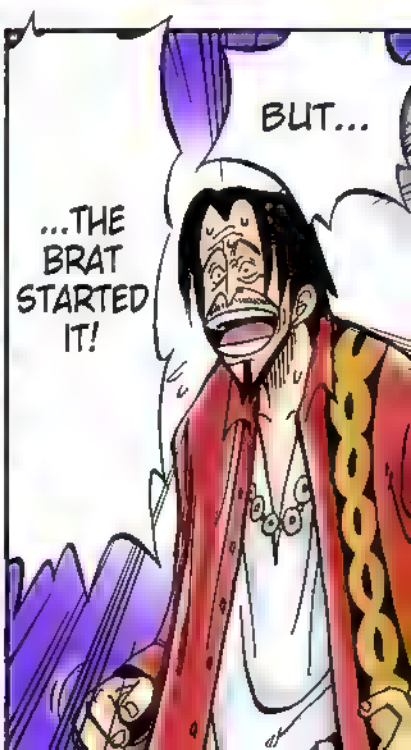
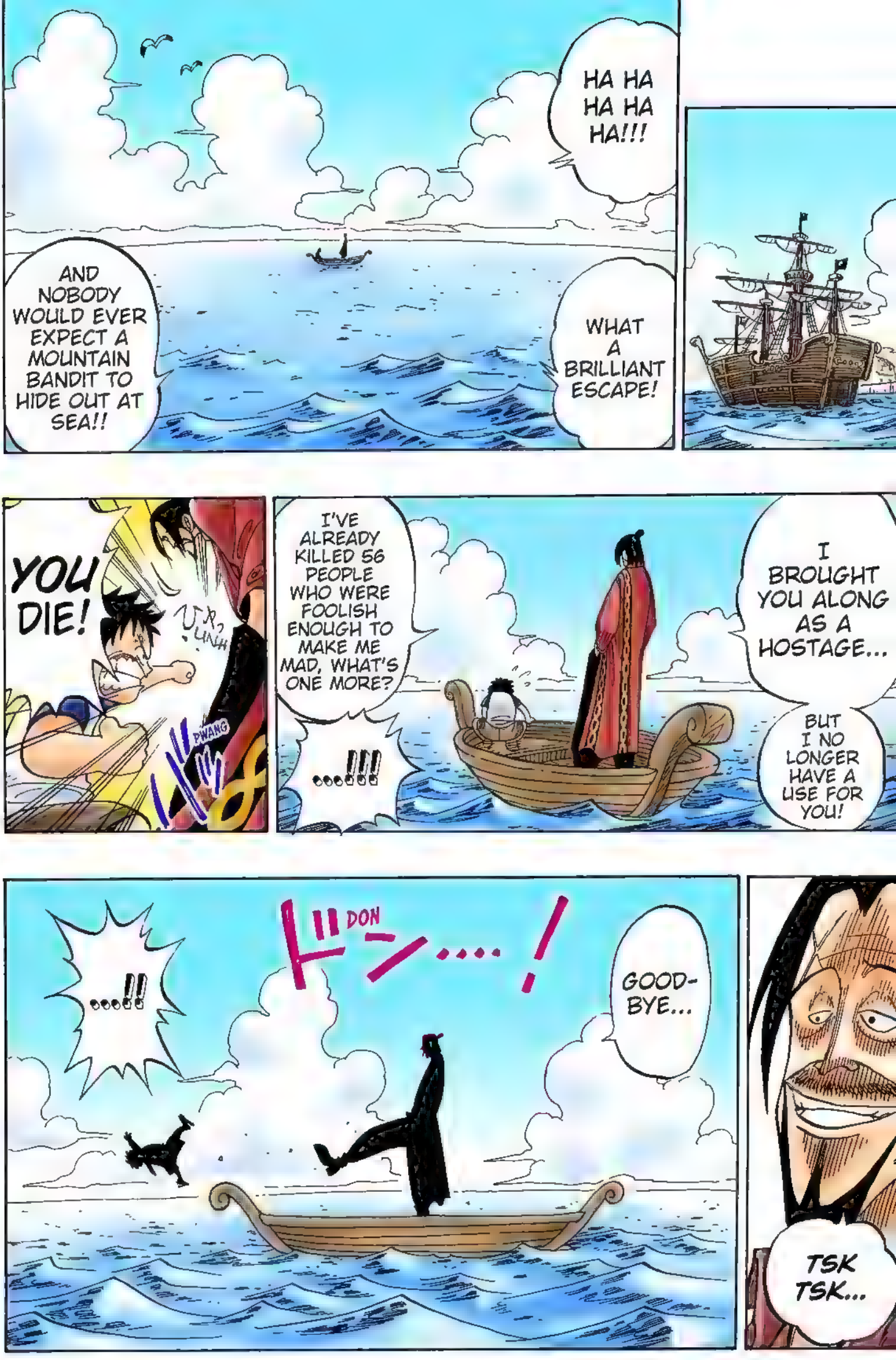
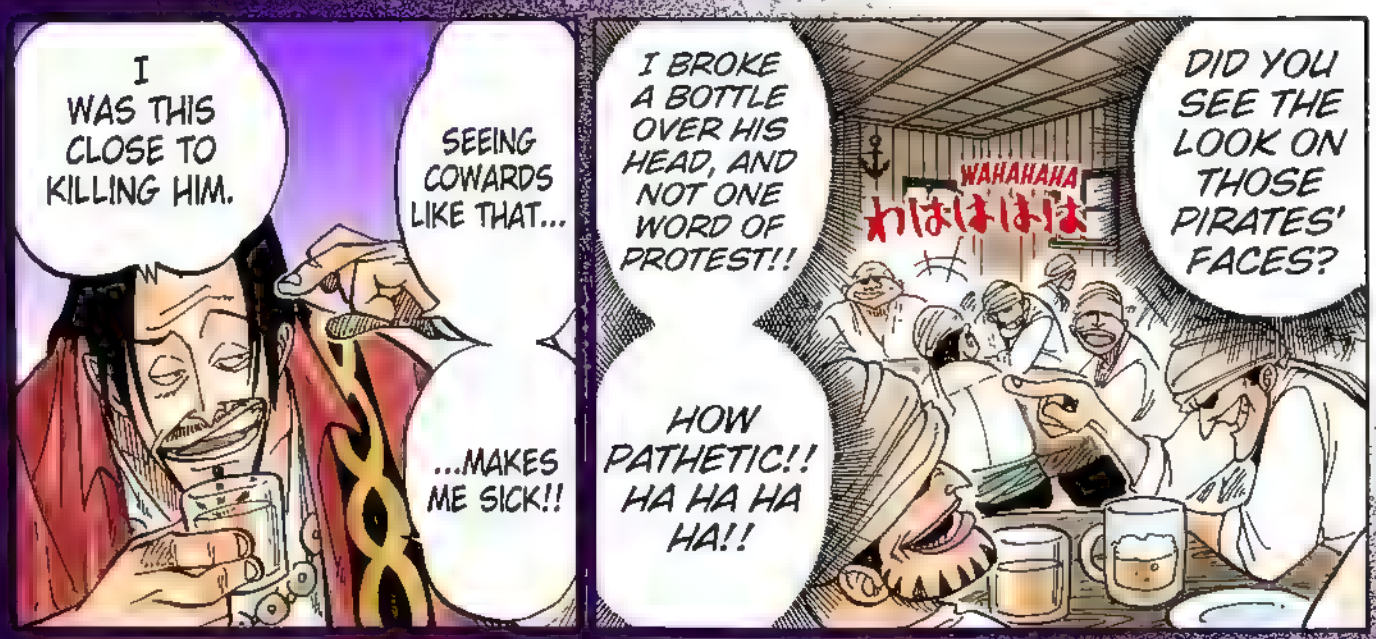

THERE'S A PRICE ON YOUR HEAD, ISN'T THERE?


BUT...
...THE BRAT STARTED IT!

A SMOKE BOMB!!
?!
HMPH!
POOF
LUFFY!!
AGH!! SHIT!! LET ME GO, LET ME GO!!
C'MERE KID!!
...GOOD GRIEF.
THIS MAN...
CALM DOWN, BOSS! WE'LL ALL GO OUT AND LOOK FOR HIM! WE'LL FIND HIM!!
OH... OH... OH NO!! HE CAUGHT US OFF GUARD!! LUFFY!! GUYS!! WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO?!


HA HA HA HA HA!!!
AND NOBODY WOULD EVER EXPECT A MOUNTAIN BANDIT TO HIDE OUT AT SEA!!
WHAT A BRILLIANT ESCAPE!
YOU DIE!
UR, UHH
PWANG
I'VE ALREADY KILLED 56 PEOPLE WHO WERE FOOLISH ENOUGH TO MAKE ME MAD, WHAT'S ONE MORE?
...!!!
I BROUGHT YOU ALONG AS A HOSTAGE...
BUT I NO LONGER HAVE A USE FOR YOU!
...!!
DON
ドン....!
GOOD-BYE...
TSK TSK...

DAMN IT!!!
...!!!
HA HA HA HA HA!!
...ON THOSE SCUMBAGS!! DAMN IT!!
I COULDN'T EVEN GET ONE HIT IN...
BRAT...
SHIT!!
SHIT!!


I WAS THIS CLOSE TO KILLING HIM.
SEEING COWARDS LIKE THAT...
...MAKES ME SICK!!
I BROKE A BOTTLE OVER HIS HEAD, AND NOT ONE WORD OF PROTEST!!
HOW PATHETIC!! HA HA HA HA!!
WAHAHAHA
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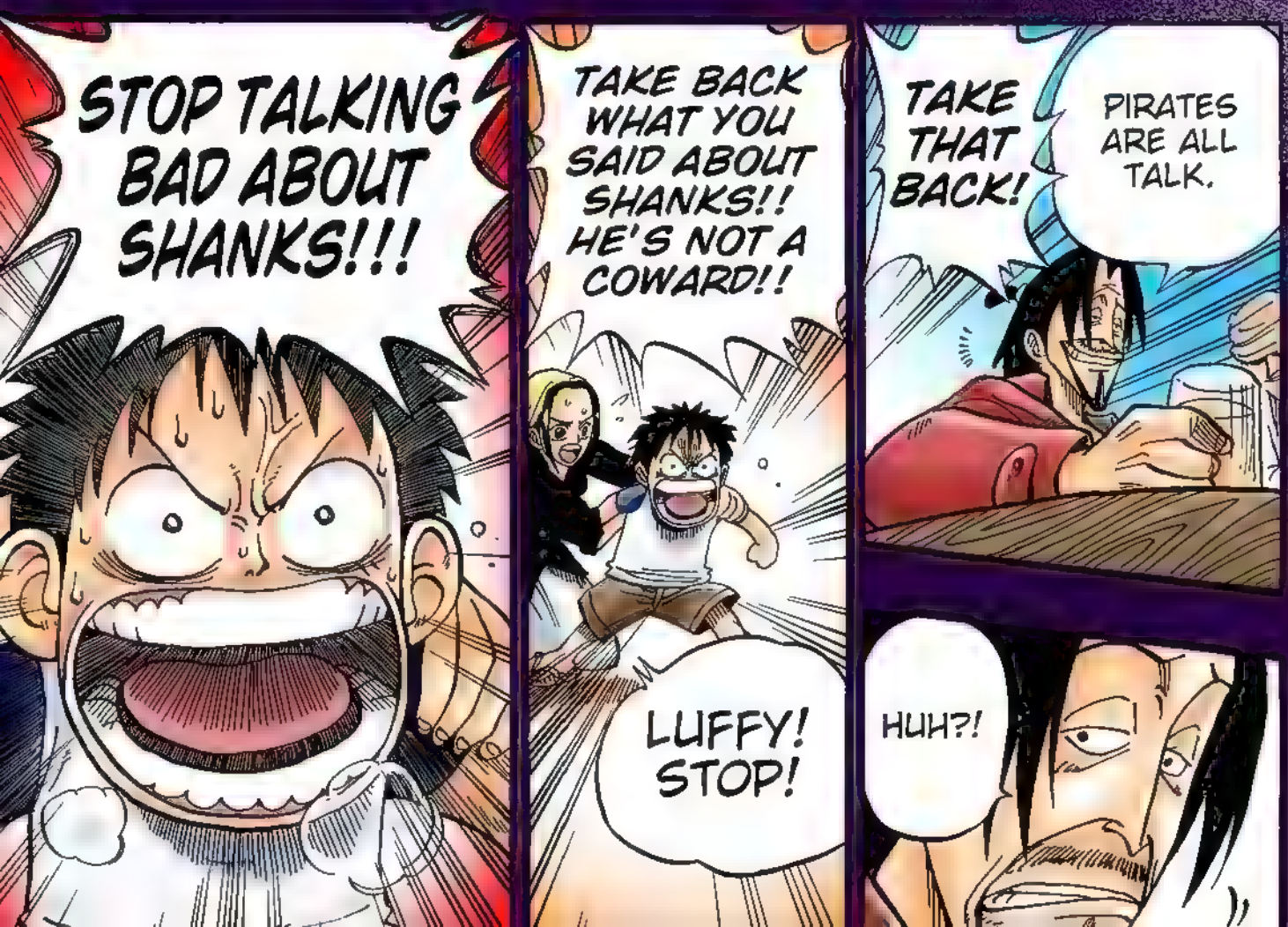
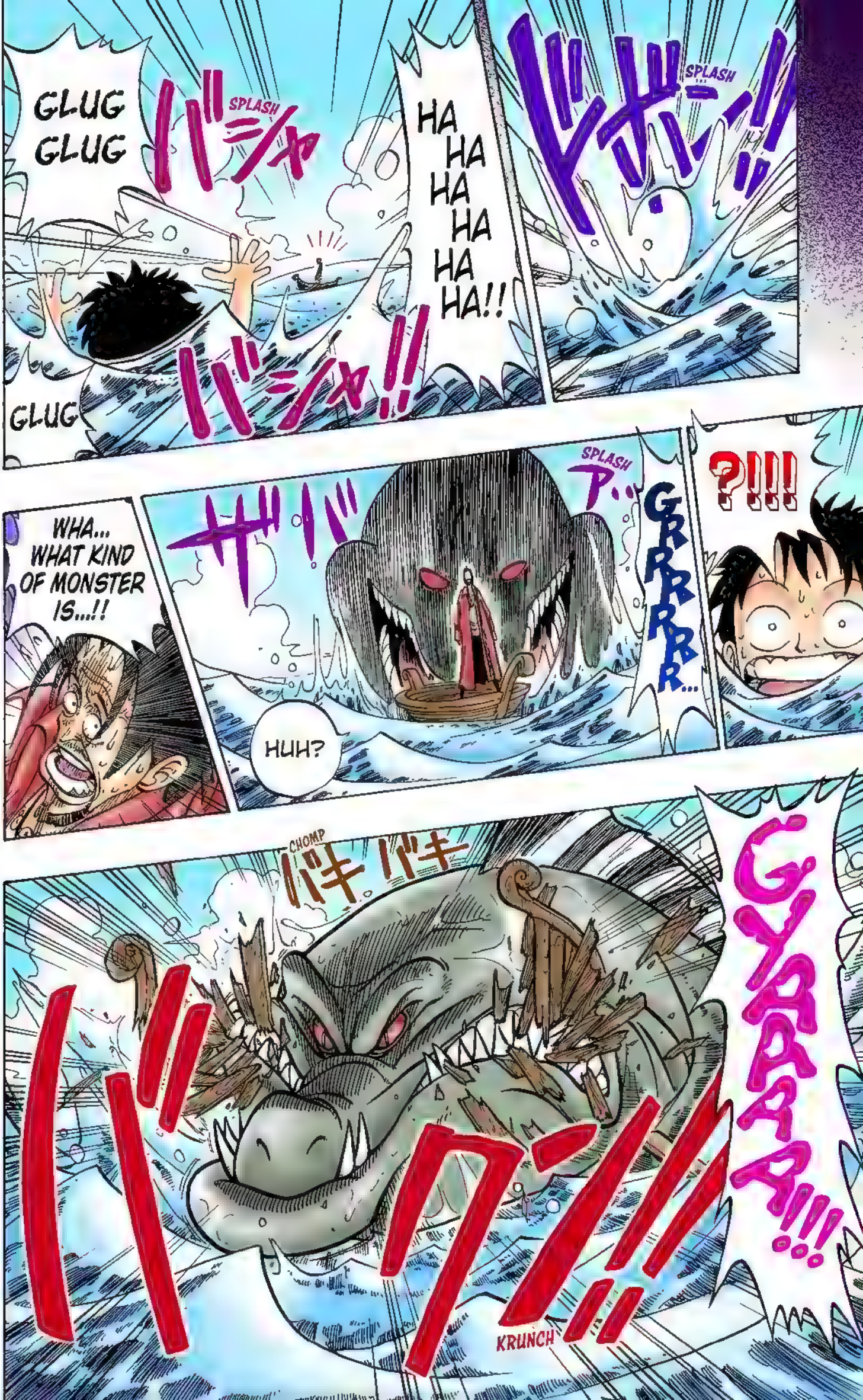
DID YOU SEE THE LOOK ON THOSE PIRATES' FACES?

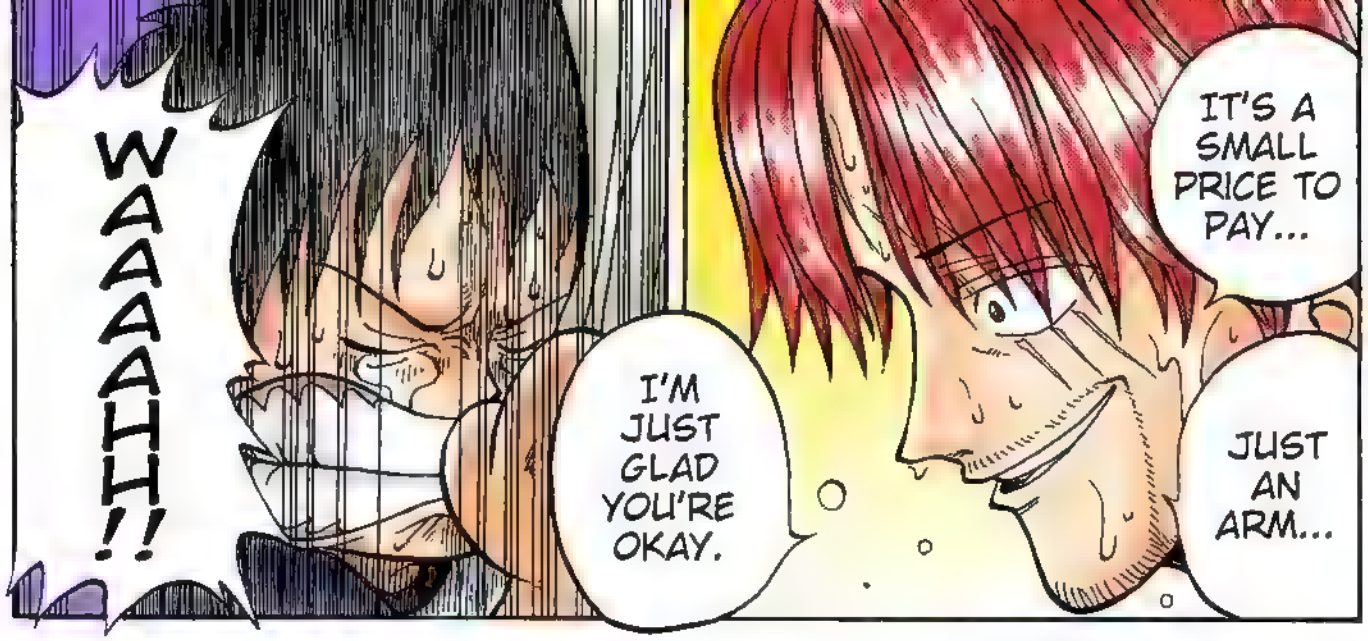

STOP TALKING BAD ABOUT SHANKS!!!
TAKE BACK WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT SHANKS!! HE'S NOT A COWARD!!
LUFFY! STOP!
TAKE THAT BACK!
PIRATES ARE ALL TALK.
HUH?!


GLUG GLUG
SPLASH
バシャ
HA HA HA HA HA HA!!
SPLASH
ドボーン!!
GLUG
バシャ!!
WHA... WHAT KIND OF MONSTER IS...!!
SPLASH
ドド...
GRRRRRR...
?!!!
HUH?
CHOMP
バキ バキ
GYAAAA!!!
KRUNCH

GLUG! SOME-BODY HELP ME!! GLUG!
SPLASH
バシャ
バシャ
YAA!! GLUG GLUG!!
GRRRR
キュロ!!
CHOMP
ガバ!!
YAAAAAHH!!!
SHANKS!

GRRRR
GET LOST.
SPLASH
ガタ
ガタ
...!!
...!!!
SNIF
じわ
HRUNH
ドン!!
SPLOOSH
パーン....
..!!
ガタガタ
REE
オルオル

THANK YOU, LUFFY.
SNIFFLE!!
MAKINO TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED.
YOU FOUGHT FOR OUR SAKES.
SNIF!!
HEY, WHY YOU CRYING? YOU'RE A MAN, RIGHT?
B-BUT ...
SHANKS !!!
SNIF
AAGH
YOUR ARM!!!


WAAAAH!!
I'M JUST GLAD YOU'RE OKAY.
IT'S A SMALL PRICE TO PAY...
JUST AN ARM...

WAHHHHHHHHHHHHHH
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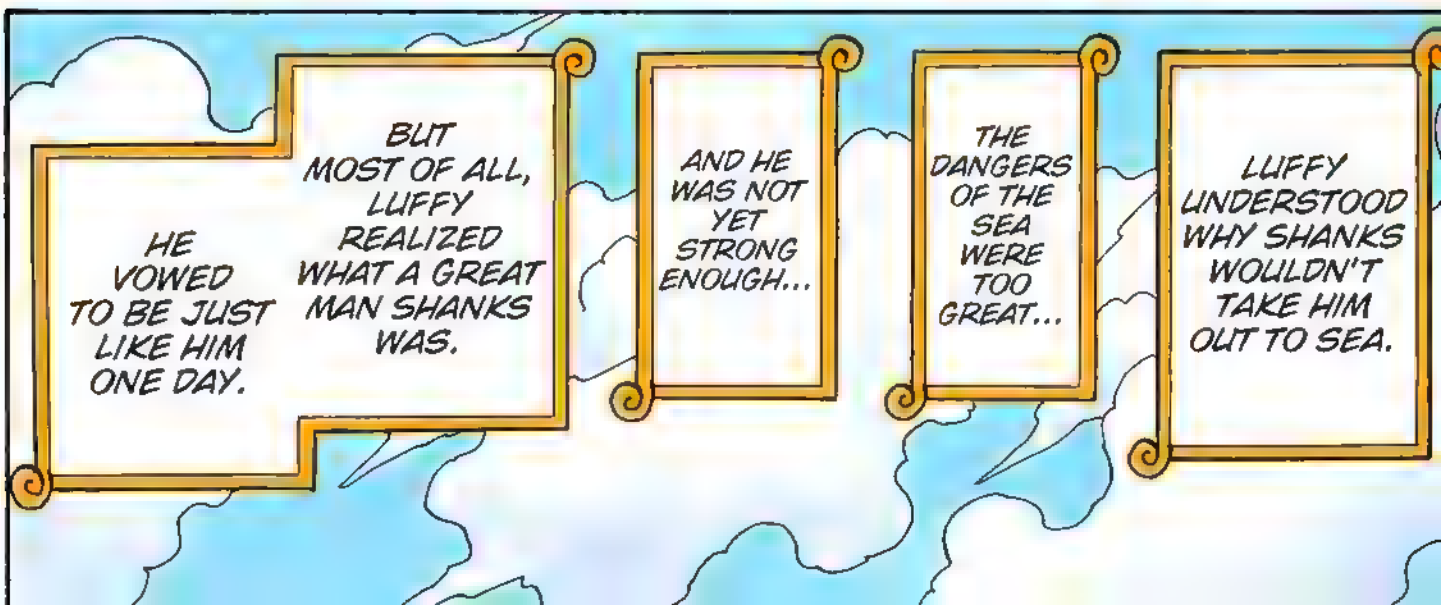
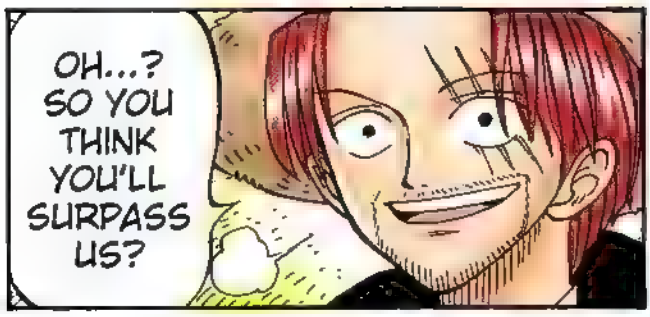
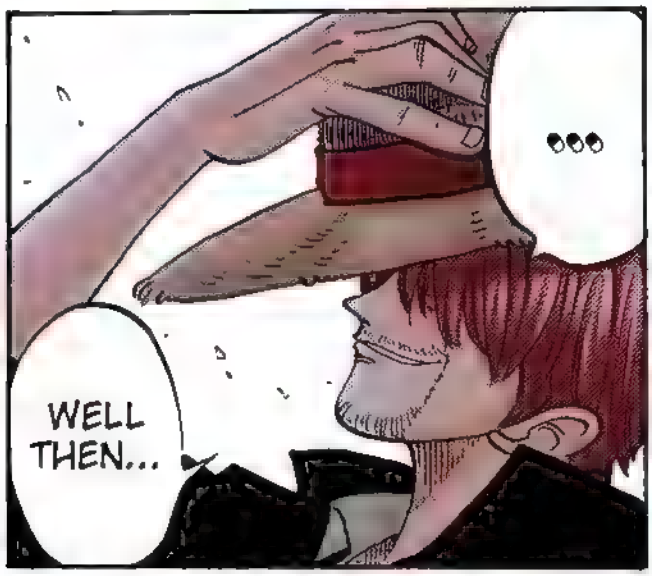
WAAAAH!

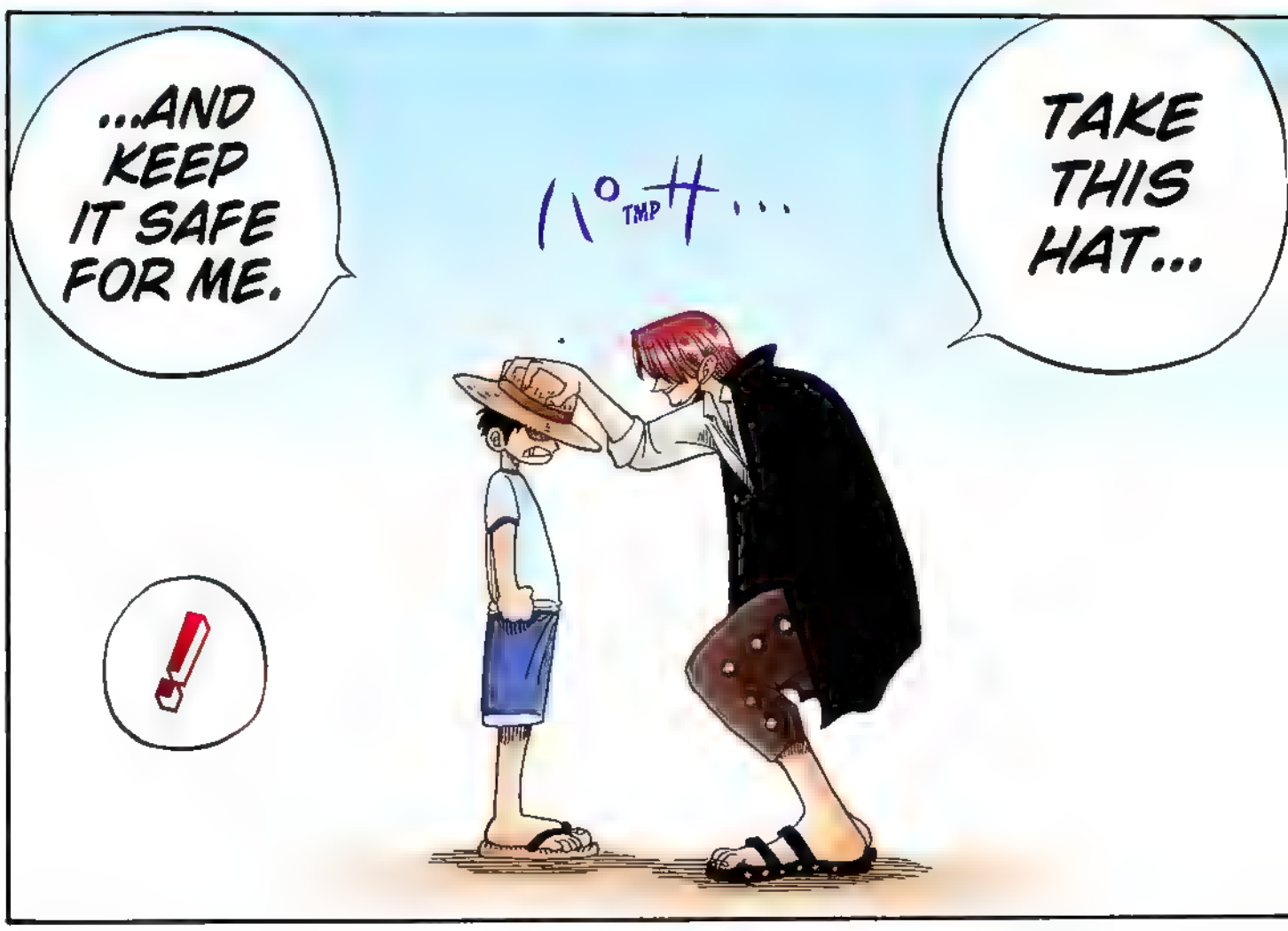

HE VOWED TO BE JUST LIKE HIM ONE DAY.
BUT MOST OF ALL, LUFFY REALIZED WHAT A GREAT MAN SHANKS WAS.
AND HE WAS NOT YET STRONG ENOUGH...
THE DANGERS OF THE SEA WERE TOO GREAT...
LUFFY UNDERSTOOD WHY SHANKS WOULDN'T TAKE HIM OUT TO SEA.

WE'VE BEEN STAYING HERE FOR TOO LONG. SO I GUESS THIS IS GOODBYE.
THAT'S RIGHT.
ARE YOU SAD?
SO YOU WON'T BE COMING BACK TO THIS VILLAGE AFTER THIS VOYAGE?
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN BECOME A PIRATE!
I WOULDN'T HAVE TAKEN YOU EVEN IF YOU ASKED ME!
I'VE DECIDED TO BECOME A PIRATE ON MY OWN!
NYAH
YEAH, I'M SAD...
BUT I WON'T ASK YOU TO TAKE ME WITH YOU!
WE'LL FIND THE GREATEST TREASURE IN THE WORLD!!
ONE DAY, I'LL FIND A CREW WHO WON'T LOSE TO EVEN THE LIKES OF YOURS!!
OH YES I WILL!!!


OH...? SO YOU THINK YOU'LL SURPASS US?


...
WELL THEN...

AND I'LL BECOME PIRATE KING!!!


...AND KEEP IT SAFE FOR ME.
!
TAKE THIS HAT...

...!!
THIS HAT MEANS A LOT TO ME.

...WHEN YOU'VE BECOME A GREAT PIRATE.
PROMISE THAT YOU'LL GIVE IT BACK TO ME SOMEDAY...

RAISE THE SAILS!! WE'RE OFF!!
HOORAY
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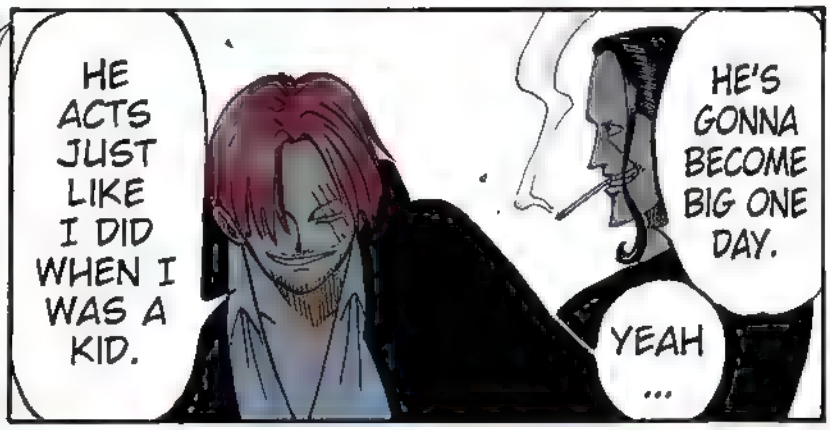
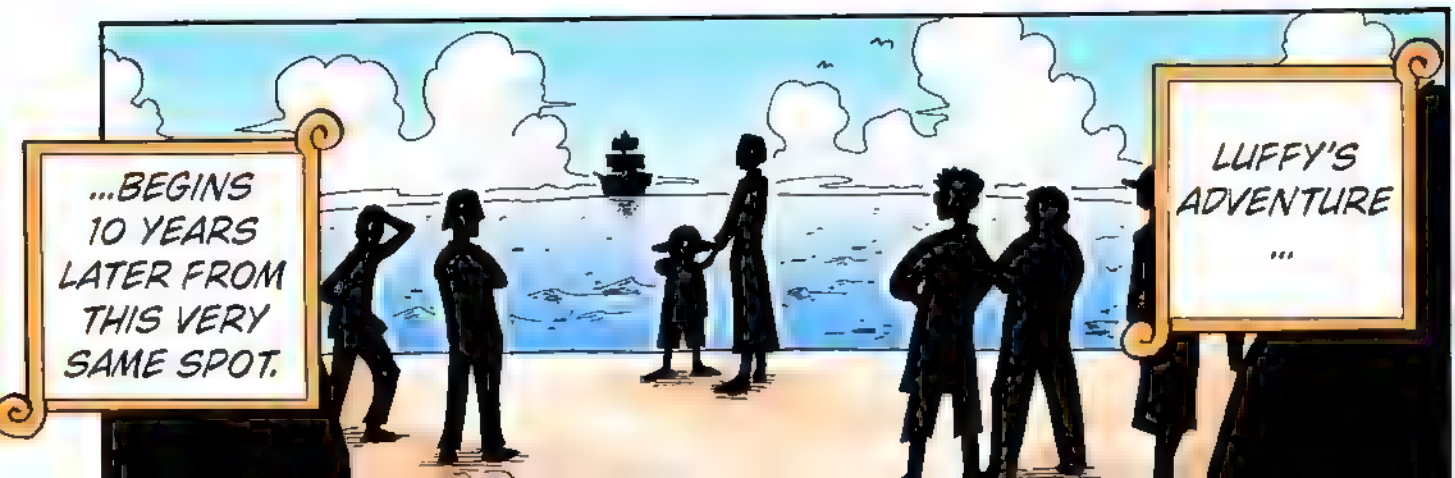
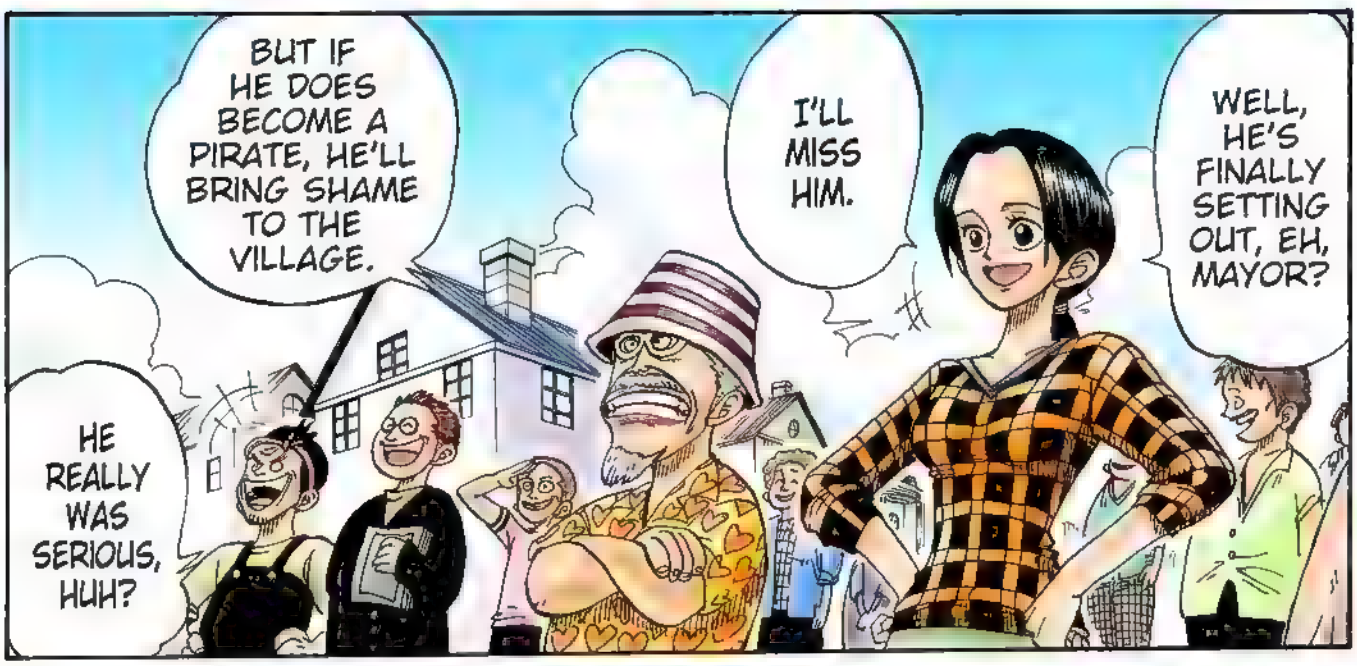
WEIGH THE ANCHOR !!

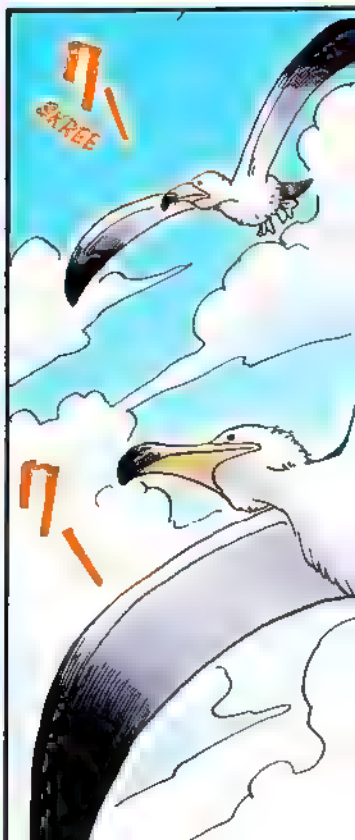

HE ACTS JUST LIKE I DID WHEN I WAS A KID.
HE'S GONNA BECOME BIG ONE DAY.
YEAH ...


...BEGINS 10 YEARS LATER FROM THIS VERY SAME SPOT.
LUFFY'S ADVENTURE ...

DON'T
TEN YEARS LATER ...


BUT IF HE DOES BECOME A PIRATE, HE'LL BRING SHAME TO THE VILLAGE.
I'LL MISS HIM.
WELL, HE'S FINALLY SETTING OUT, EH, MAYOR?
HE REALLY WAS SERIOUS, HUH?

IT'S A GOOD DAY TO SET OUT TO SEA!
WOW!
KREEK
KREEK

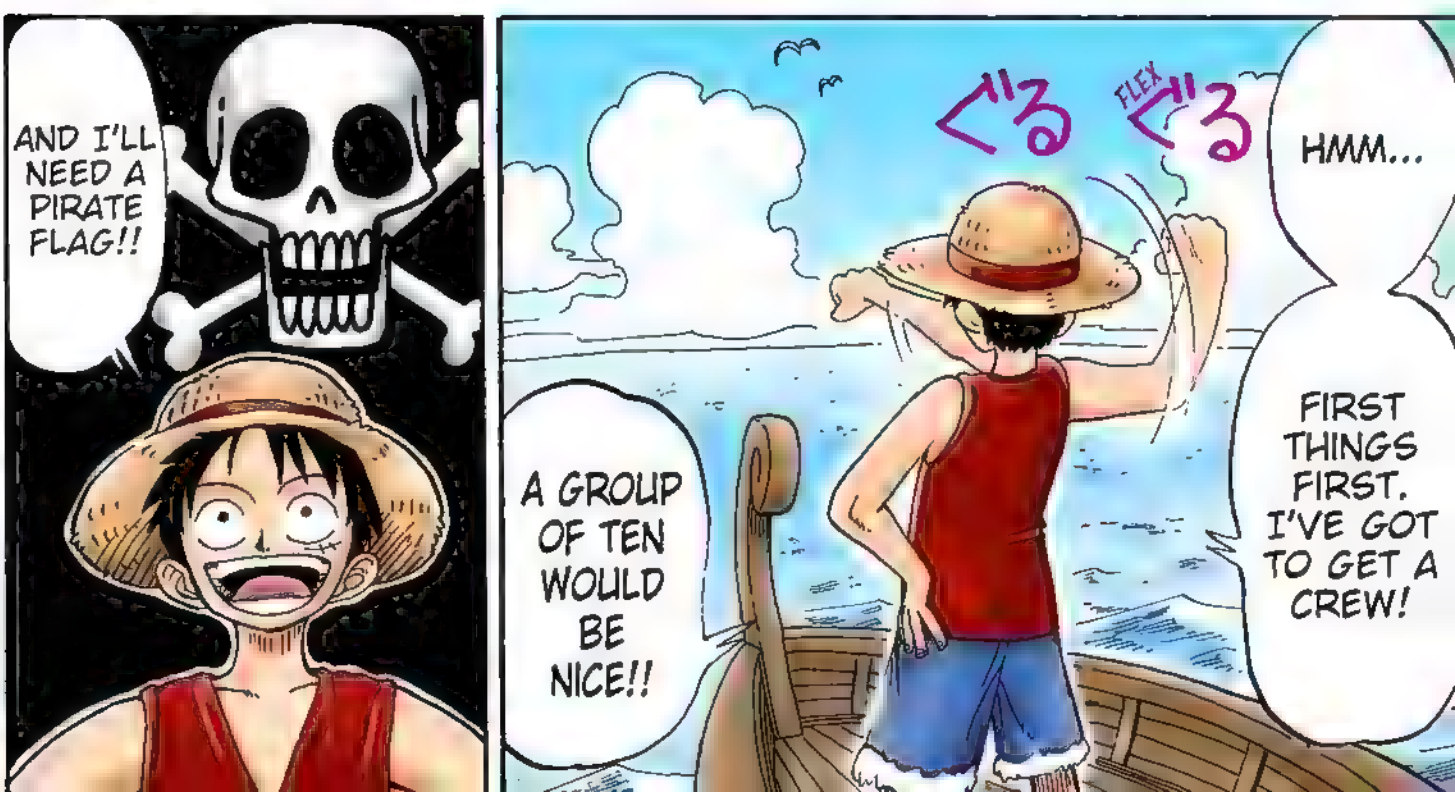

SKREE

IF IT ISN'T THE LORD OF THE COAST!!
SORRY I HAVE TO DO THIS...
GRRR...
BUT I'LL SHOW YOU MY SPECIAL MOVE TEN YEARS IN THE MAKING!!
SPLOOSH
WHOA...
GUM-GUM...
GRAA

TWOINNG

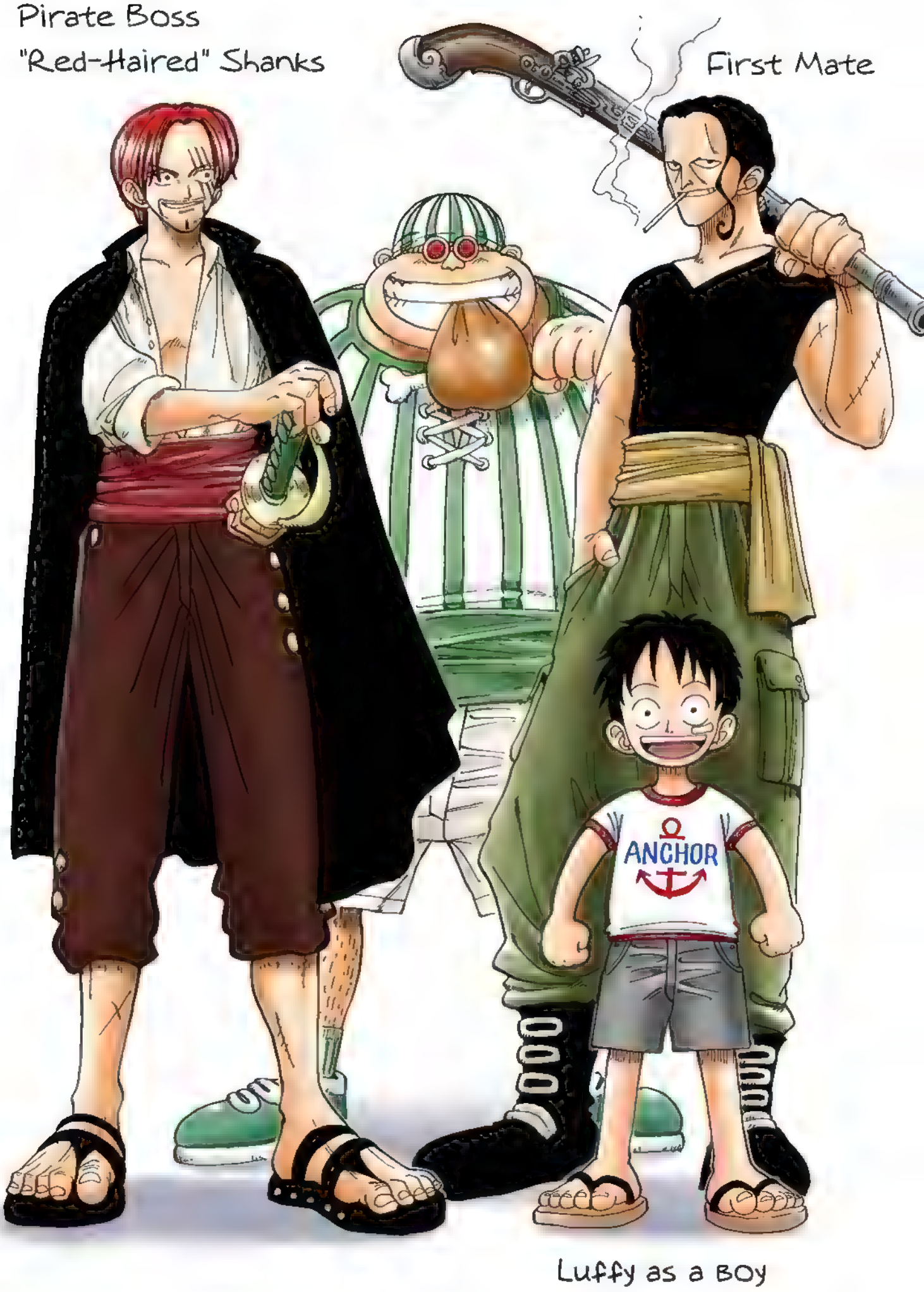
...
PISTOL
!!!

SNAP
SPLOOSH
HMPH!
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET, YOU DAMN FISH!

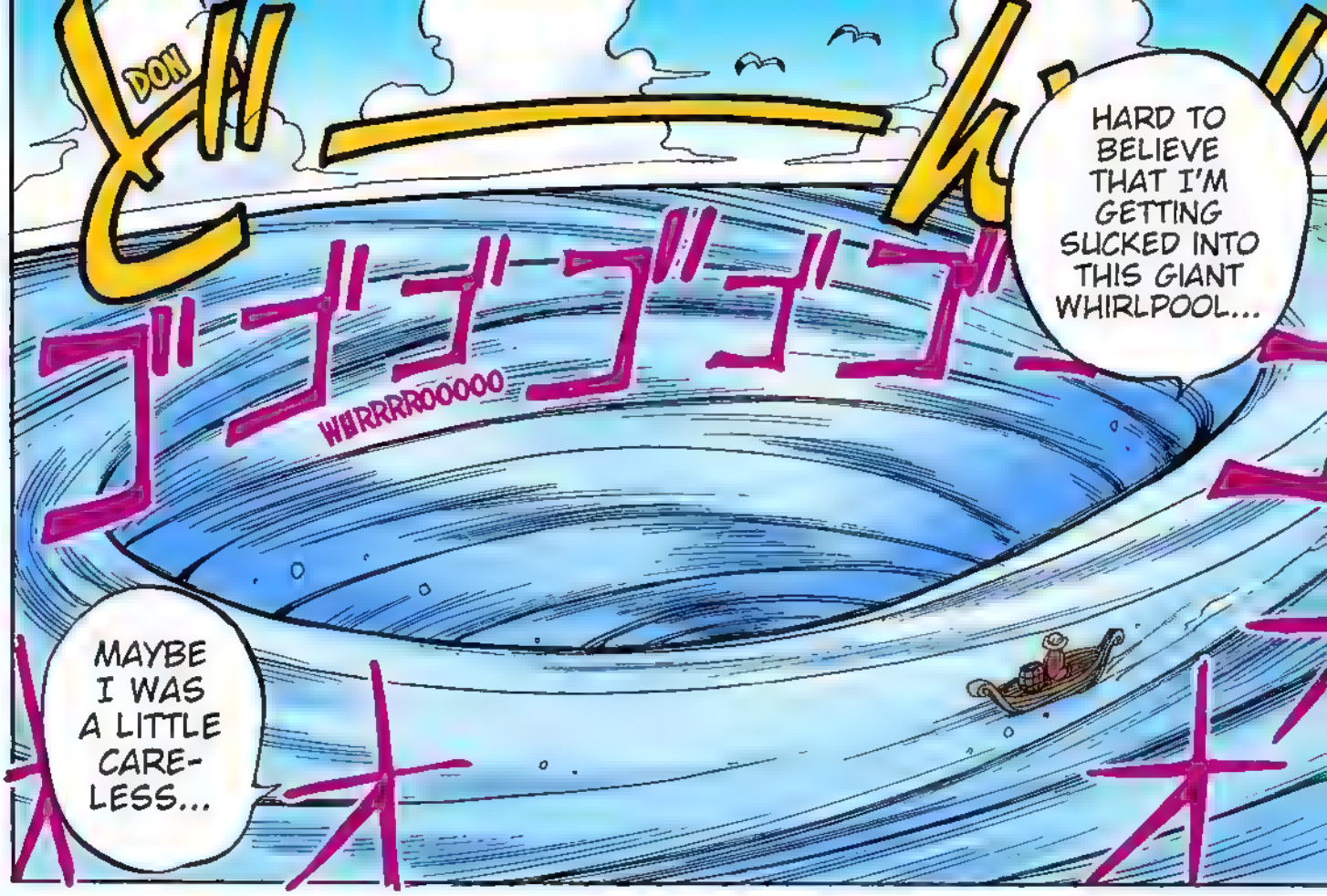

AND I'LL NEED A PIRATE FLAG!!
A GROUP OF TEN WOULD BE NICE!!
FLEX
HMM...
FIRST THINGS FIRST. I'VE GOT TO GET A CREW!

ALRIGHT, HERE WE GO!!!
I'M GONNA BE...
DON
...THE PIRATE KING !!!!
AND SO BEGINS THE ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME!!!
ON A TINY BOAT HE CHALLENGES THE SEA, HIS CREWMATES YET TO BE FOUND.

ONEPIECE


Pirate Boss
"Red-Haired" Shanks
First Mate
ANCHOR
Luffy as a Boy

RECKLESSLY CROSSING THE VAST OCEAN IN A SMALL BOAT, THIS BOY IS IN THE MIDST OF GATHERING COMPANIONS TO FORM A PIRATE CREW.
SKREEE
SKREEE
WOW! WHAT A GREAT DAY!
WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT THIS VOYAGE WOULD END IN DISASTER SO SOON?
THE WEATHER'S SO NICE!
MONKEY D. LUFFY
DON
ワンピース
Chapter 2: That Guy, "Straw Hat Luffy"


DON
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WHRRRROOOOO
HARD TO BELIEVE THAT I'M GETTING SUCKED INTO THIS GIANT WHIRLPOOL...
MAYBE I WAS A LITTLE CARE-LESS...

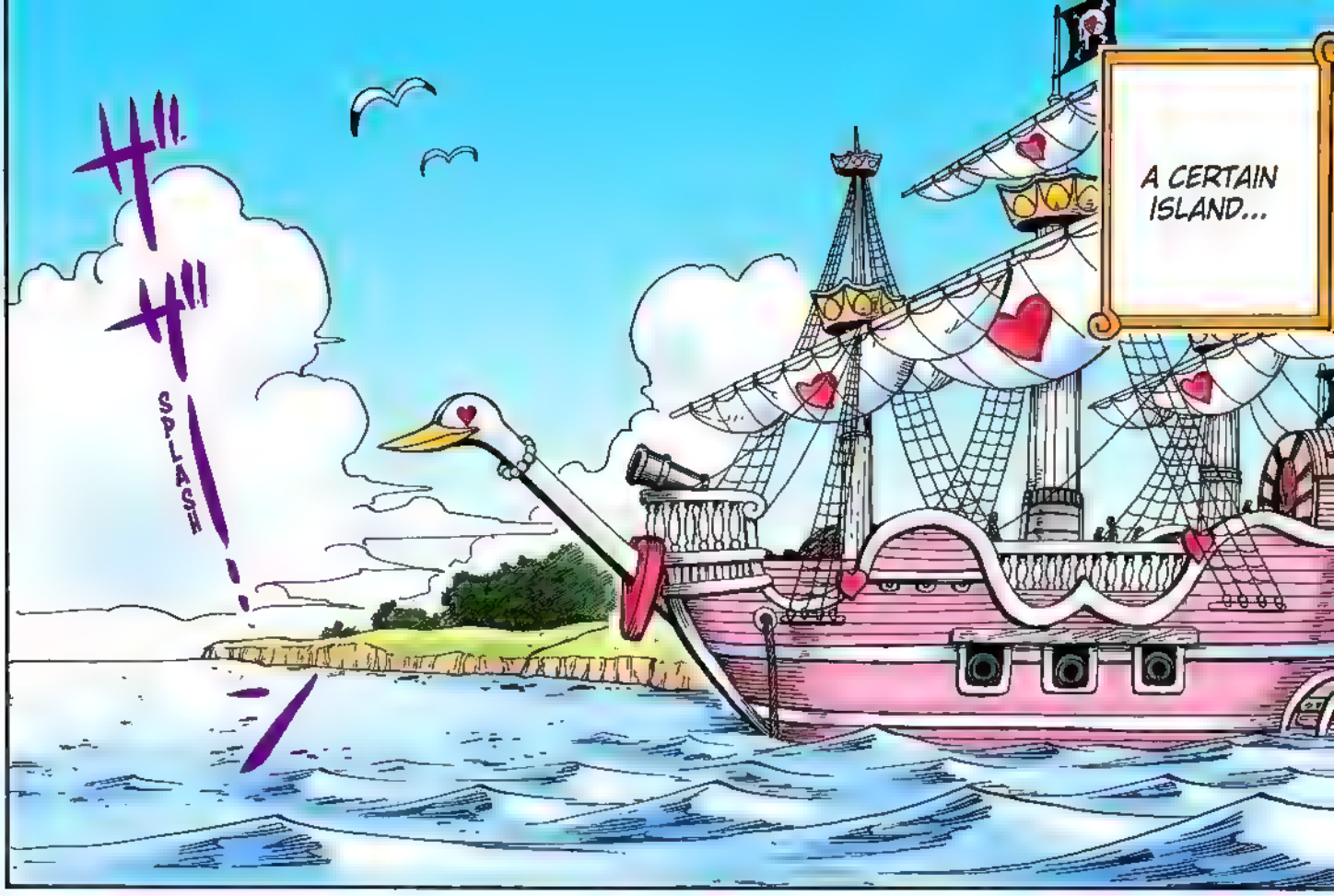
SHWRRR
WMMMMM
ゴゴゴゴゴゴ
TOO BAD I CAN'T SWIM, TOO.

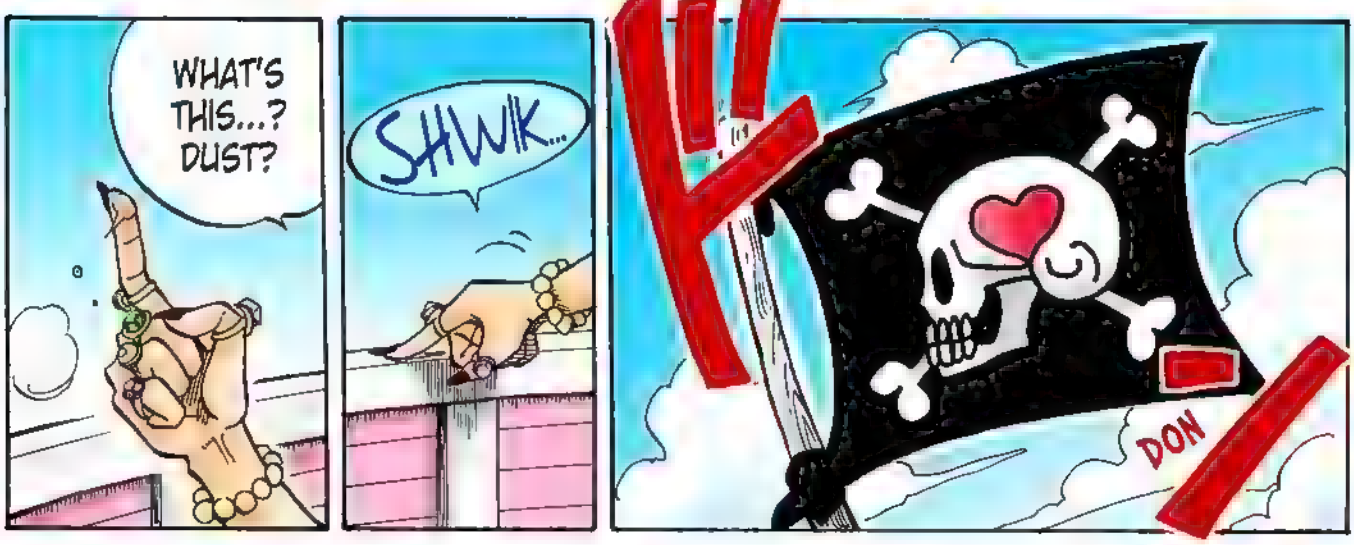
I COULD USE SOME HELP, BUT THERE'S NOBODY AROUND.
OH WELL, CAN'T BE HELPED. DOWN I GO...

AA AA!
SPLOOSH
YIKES !!
WRRRR
ゴゴゴゴゴゴ

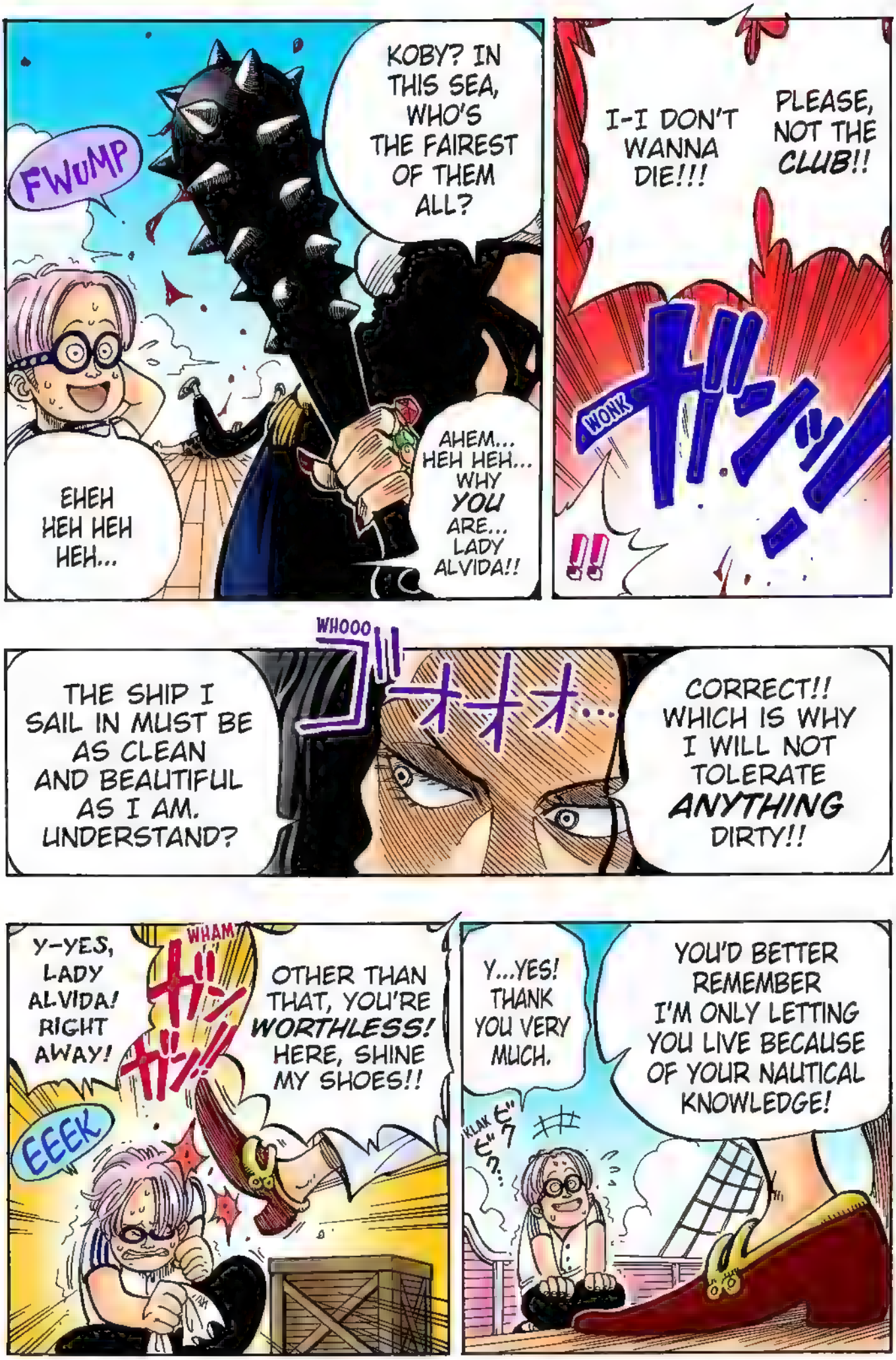
HA! WHAT WAS I THINKING? IN A GIANT WHIRLPOOL, IT DOESN'T REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE IF YOU CAN SWIM OR NOT!
I'd drown even if I could swim!

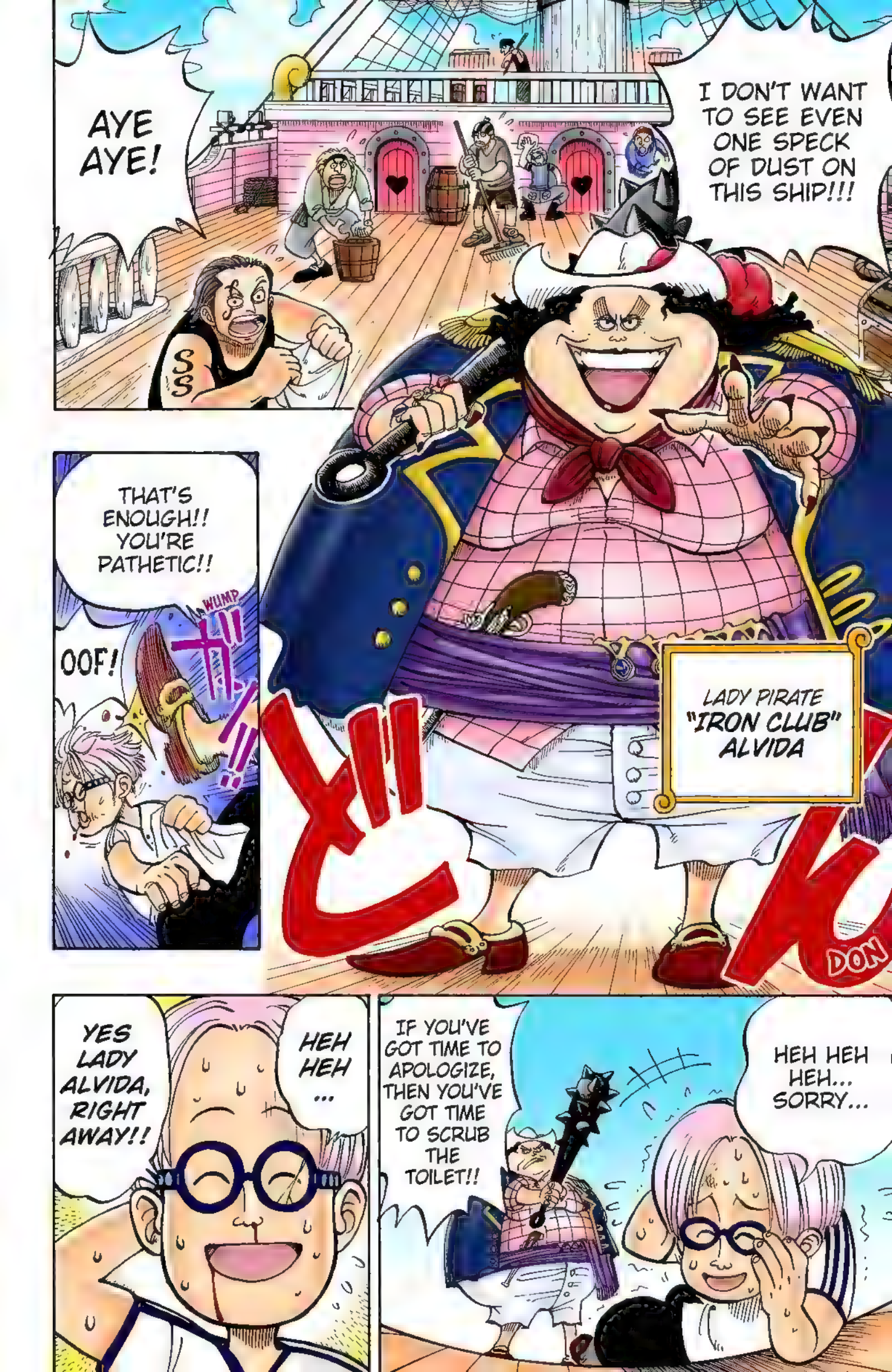
Chapter 2:
THAT GUY, "STRAW HAT LUFFY"

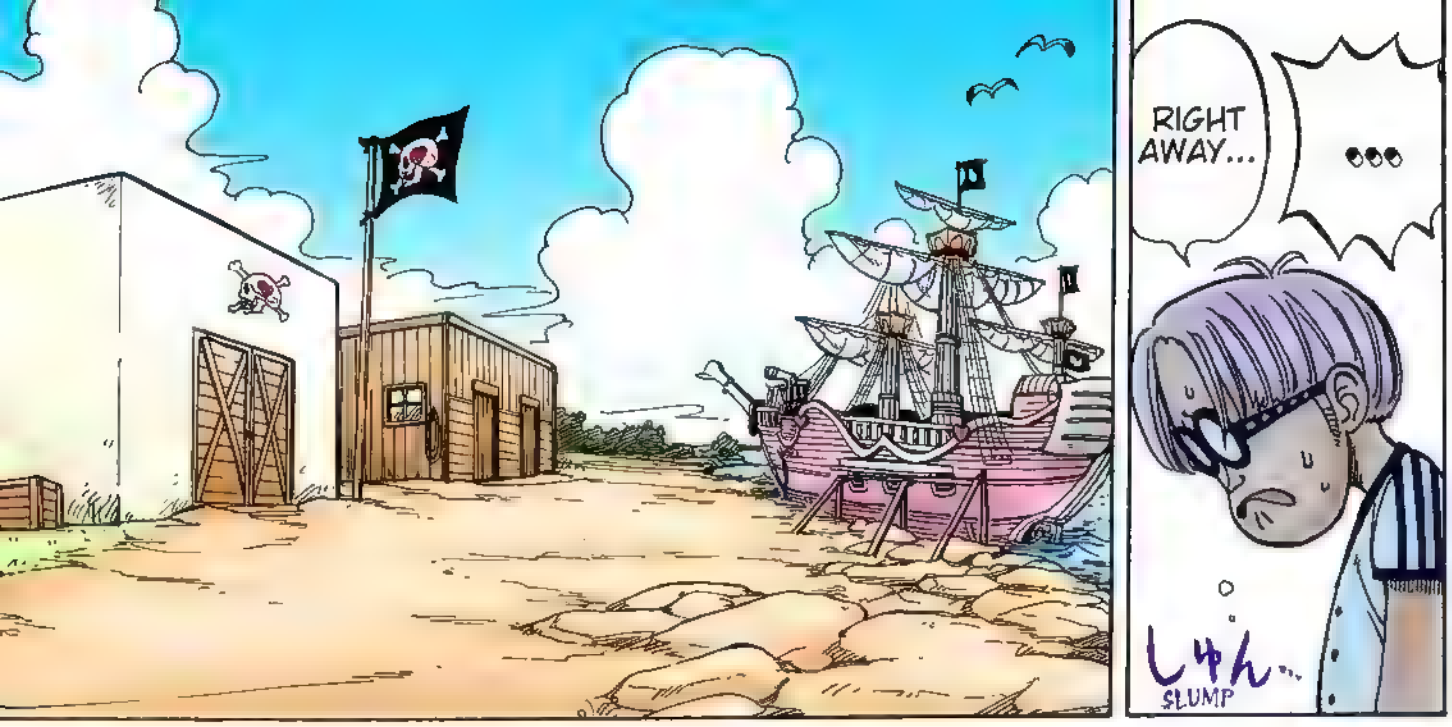

SPLASH
A CERTAIN ISLAND...

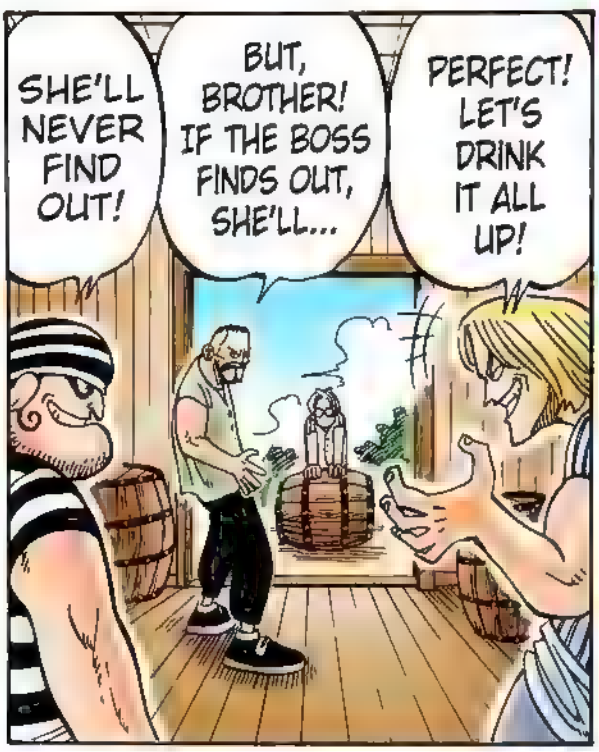

WHAT'S THIS...? DUST?
SHWIK...
DON

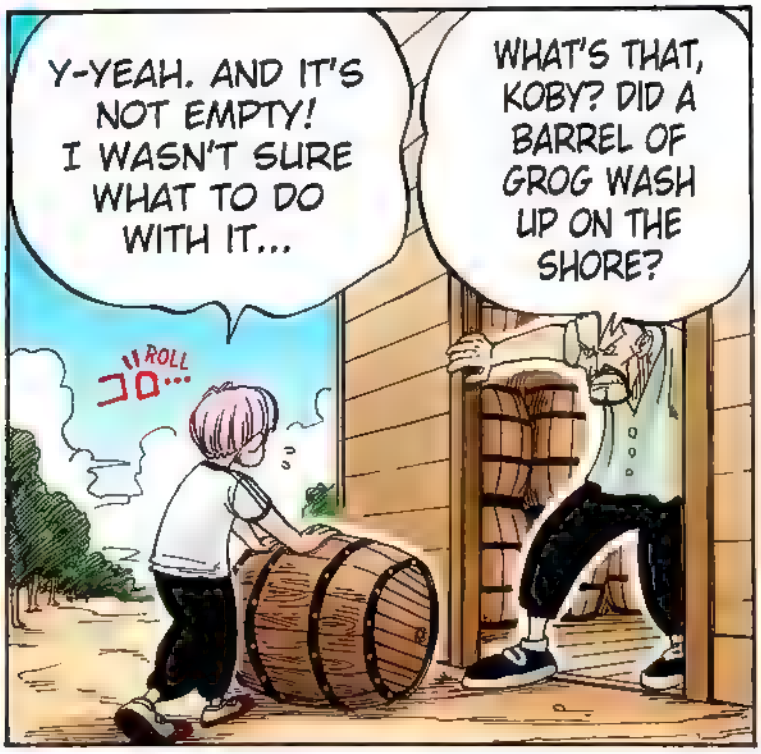
"PLEASE" WHAT...?
I'LL CLEAN EVERY-THING ALL OVER AGAIN! PLEASE--!
P... P... PLEASE ACCEPT MY APOLOGIES!! LADY ALVIDA!
I THOUGHT I HAD CLEANED THE SHIP FROM HEAD TO TOE...!!

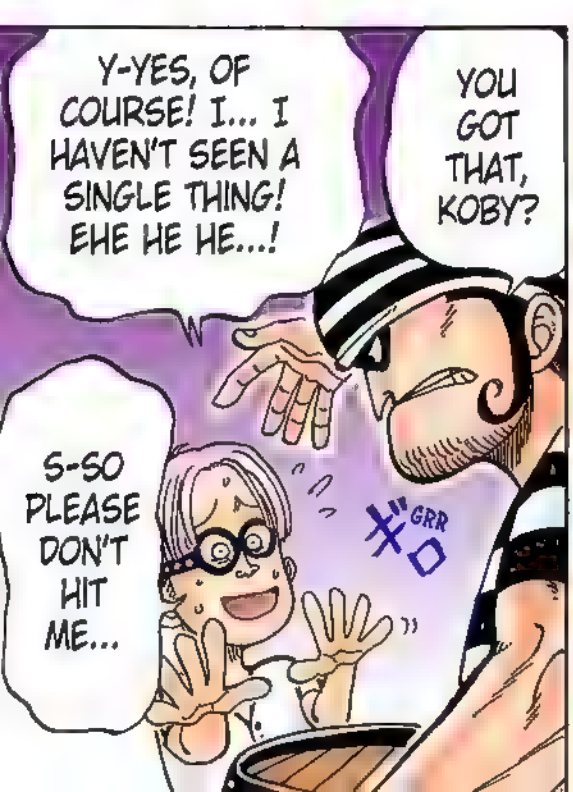

FWUMP
KOBY? IN THIS SEA, WHO'S THE FAIREST OF THEM ALL?
EHEH HEH HEH HEH...
AHEM... HEH HEH... WHY YOU ARE... LADY ALVIDA!!
I-I DON'T WANNA DIE!!!
PLEASE, NOT THE CLUB!!
WONK
!!
WHOOO
ゴオオオ...
THE SHIP I SAIL IN MUST BE AS CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL AS I AM. UNDERSTAND?
CORRECT!! WHICH IS WHY I WILL NOT TOLERATE ANYTHING DIRTY!!
Y-YES, LADY ALVIDA! RIGHT AWAY!
WHAM
ガン!
ガン!!
EEEK
OTHER THAN THAT, YOU'RE WORTHLESS! HERE, SHINE MY SHOES!!
Y...YES! THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
KLAK
ビクビク...
YOU'D BETTER REMEMBER I'M ONLY LETTING YOU LIVE BECAUSE OF YOUR NAUTICAL KNOWLEDGE!


AYE AYE!
I DON'T WANT TO SEE EVEN ONE SPECK OF DUST ON THIS SHIP!!!
THAT'S ENOUGH!! YOU'RE PATHETIC!!
WUMP
OOF!
LADY PIRATE "IRON CLUB" ALVIDA
DON
YES LADY ALVIDA, RIGHT AWAY!!
HEH HEH ...
IF YOU'VE GOT TIME TO APOLOGIZE, THEN YOU'VE GOT TIME TO SCRUB THE TOILET!!
HEH HEH HEH... SORRY...


RIGHT AWAY...
...
しゅん...
SLUMP

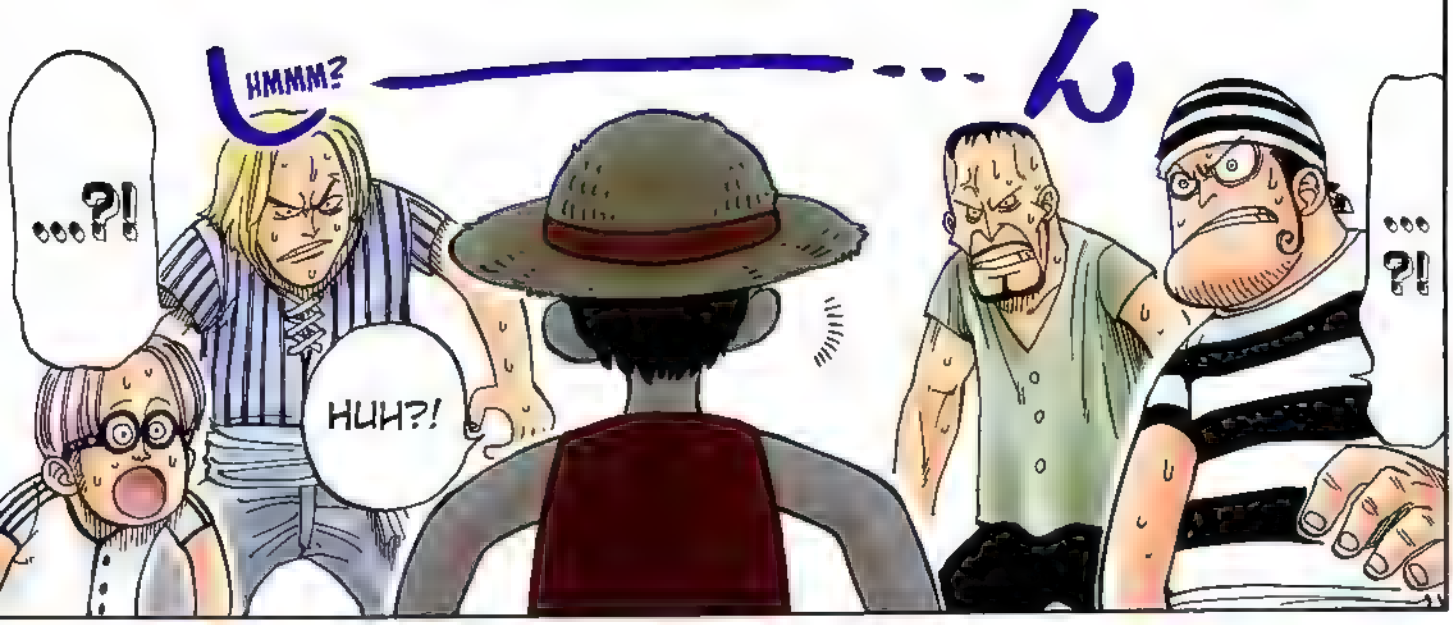

SHE'LL NEVER FIND OUT!
BUT, BROTHER! IF THE BOSS FINDS OUT, SHE'LL...
PERFECT! LET'S DRINK IT ALL UP!


Y-YEAH. AND IT'S NOT EMPTY! I WASN'T SURE WHAT TO DO WITH IT...
WHAT'S THAT, KOBY? DID A BARREL OF GROG WASH UP ON THE SHORE?
ROLL コロ...


Y-YES, OF COURSE! I... I HAVEN'T SEEN A SINGLE THING! EHE HE HE...!
YOU GOT THAT, KOBY?
S-SO PLEASE DON'T HIT ME...
GRR ゴロ

I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT.
JUST THAT USELESS KOBY AND US.
WE'RE THE ONLY ONES HERE.

THAT WAS A GREAT NAP!!!
KREK
AAH!! WHAT ?!!!
YAAAWWWN!!!!
I GOT SO DIZZY I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA DIE!! HA HA HA HA HA!!
HMM... LOOKS LIKE I SURVIVED SOMEHOW.
DON


HMMM?
...?!
HUH?!
...
?!

VWOOSH
HOW DARE YOU SLACK OFF!!!

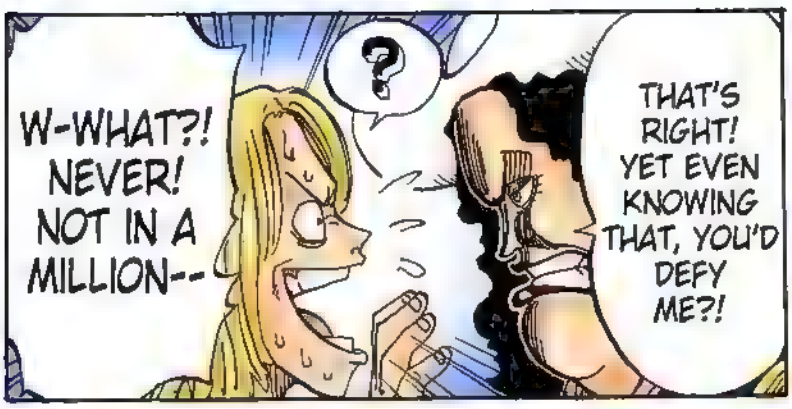
WHAT WERE YOU DOING IN THERE?!

WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?!!!
WHO ARE YOU GUYS?

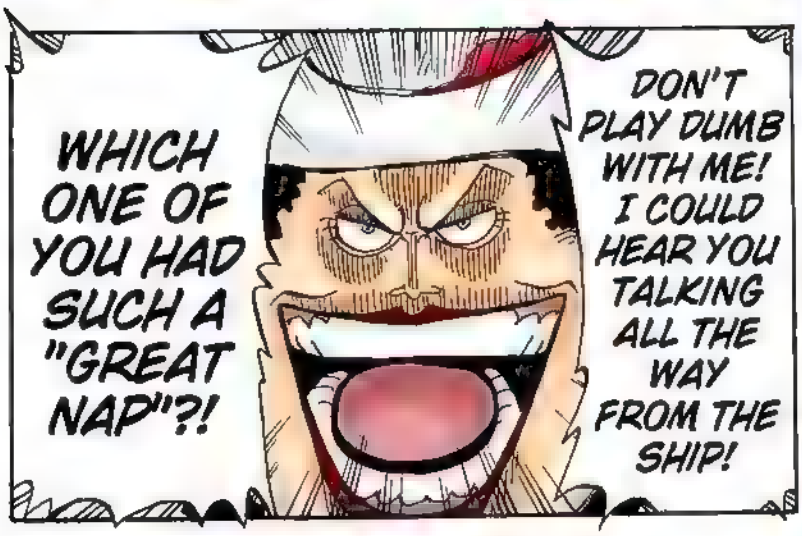
KABLASH
ARRGH!
!!!
ARRGH!

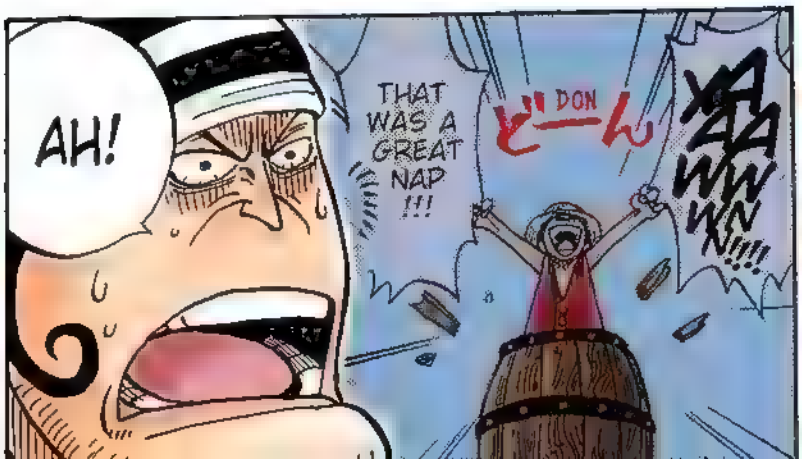
...!!
プス...
TWEET
プス...

VWOOSH
ガサッ
WHOA!
KRASH
ガーン
OH!


W-WHAT?! NEVER! NOT IN A MILLION--
?
THAT'S RIGHT! YET EVEN KNOWING THAT, YOU'D DEFY ME?!

LADY ALVIDA! YOU ARE... OF COURSE!
IN THIS SEA, WHO'S THE FAIREST OF THEM ALL?!
LOOM
ズオオン


WHICH ONE OF YOU HAD SUCH A "GREAT NAP"?!
DON'T PLAY DUMB WITH ME! I COULD HEAR YOU TALKING ALL THE WAY FROM THE SHIP!


AH!
THAT WAS A GREAT NAP !!!
DON
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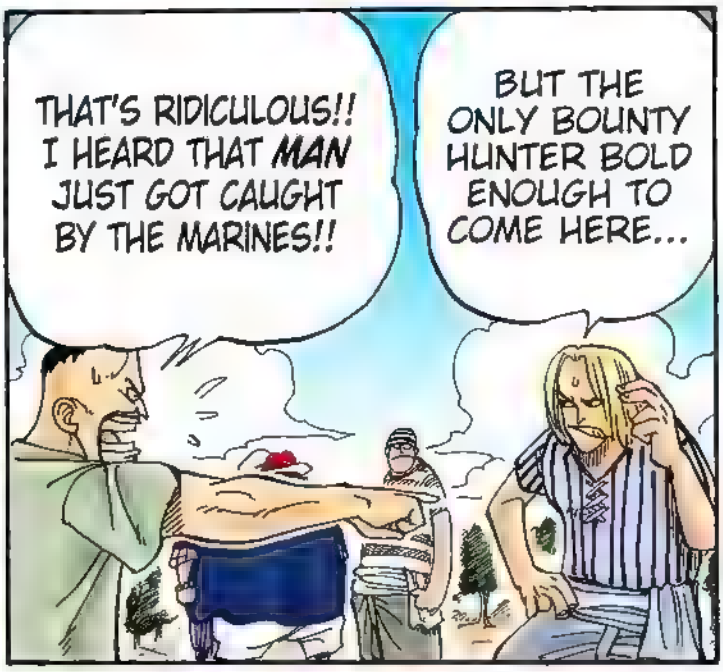
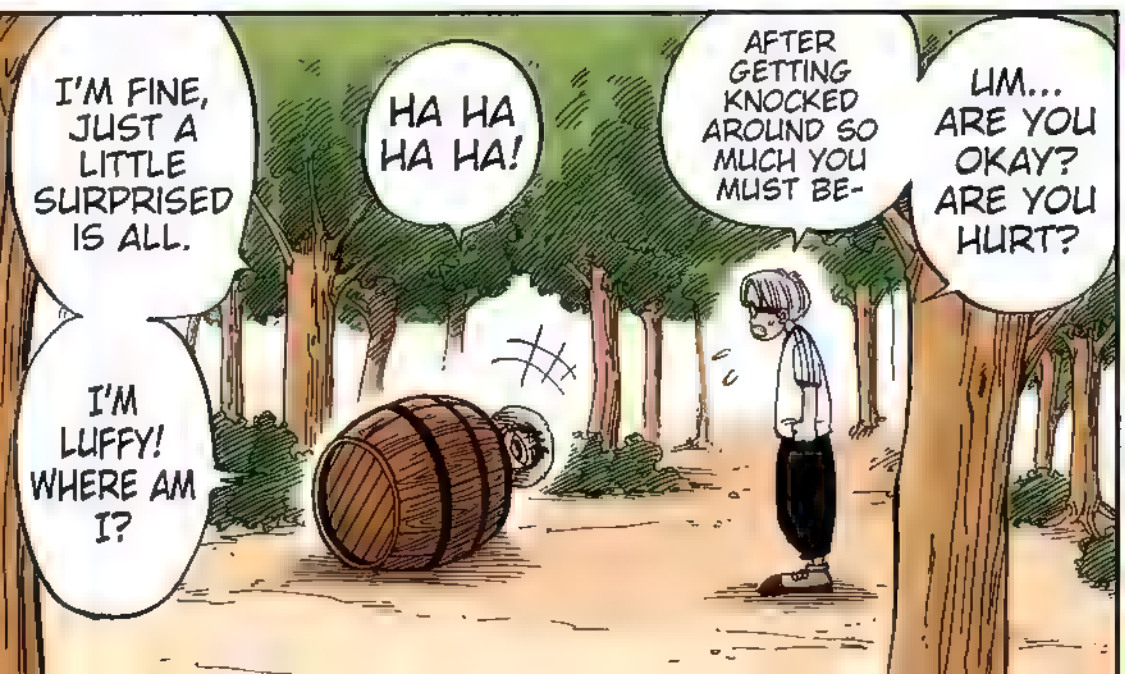
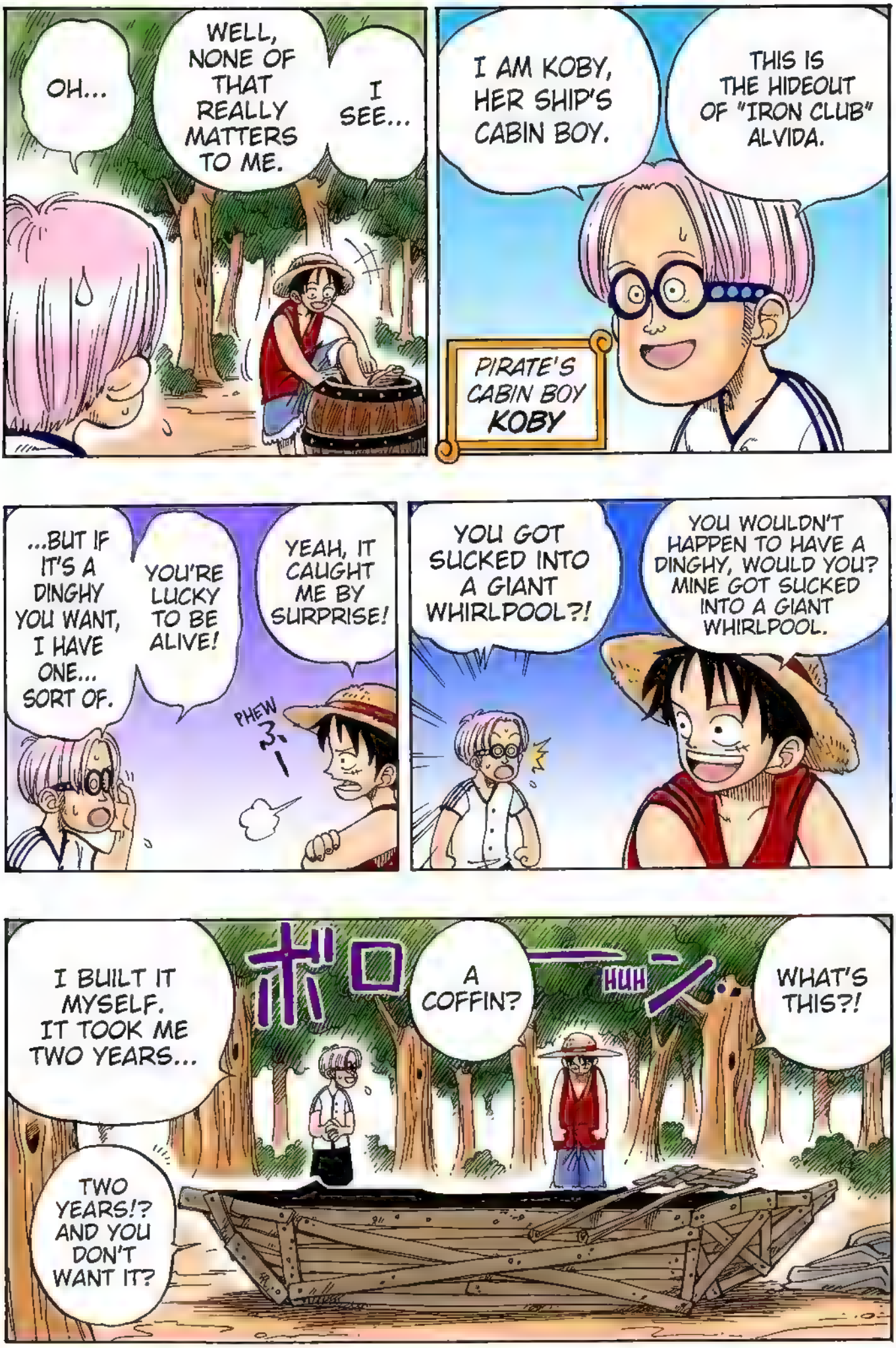
YAAWWN!!!!

...AFTER THE BOUNTY ON MY HEAD...?!!
KOBY! YOU TRAITOROUS LITTLE RUNT!
WHAT?! COULD HE BE A BOUNTY HUNTER...
YEAH!! THAT BASTARD KOBY BROUGHT THIS WEIRD GUY WITH HIM...!!
R...RIGHT! BOSS!! WE HAVE AN INTRUDER!!

THIS IS THE INFAMOUS RORONOA ZORO WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, AFTER ALL!!
BUT IF HE'S AS CLEVER AS THEY SAY... HE MIGHT'VE ESCAPED!


THAT'S RIDICULOUS!! I HEARD THAT MAN JUST GOT CAUGHT BY THE MARINES!!
BUT THE ONLY BOUNTY HUNTER BOLD ENOUGH TO COME HERE...


I'M FINE, JUST A LITTLE SURPRISED IS ALL.
I'M LUFFY! WHERE AM I?
HA HA HA HA!
AFTER GETTING KNOCKED AROUND SO MUCH YOU MUST BE-
UM... ARE YOU OKAY? ARE YOU HURT?


OH...
WELL, NONE OF THAT REALLY MATTERS TO ME.
I SEE...
I AM KOBY, HER SHIP'S CABIN BOY.
THIS IS THE HIDEOUT OF "IRON CLUB" ALVIDA.
PIRATE'S CABIN BOY KOBY
...BUT IF IT'S A DINGHY YOU WANT, I HAVE ONE... SORT OF.
YOU'RE LUCKY TO BE ALIVE!
YEAH, IT CAUGHT ME BY SURPRISE!
PHEW
YOU GOT SUCKED INTO A GIANT WHIRLPOOL?!
YOU WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO HAVE A DINGHY, WOULD YOU? MINE GOT SUCKED INTO A GIANT WHIRLPOOL.
I BUILT IT MYSELF. IT TOOK ME TWO YEARS...
ボローン
A COFFIN?
HUH
WHAT'S THIS?!
TWO YEARS!? AND YOU DON'T WANT IT?

N-NEVER!! NEVER, NEVER!! IF LADY ALVIDA EVER DECIDED TO HUNT ME DOWN... THE THOUGHT OF IT MAKES MY LEGS SHIVER...!!
WHY DON'T YOU JUST ESCAPE?
NOPE
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SHE'S SIMPLY TOO FRIGHT-ENING..!!
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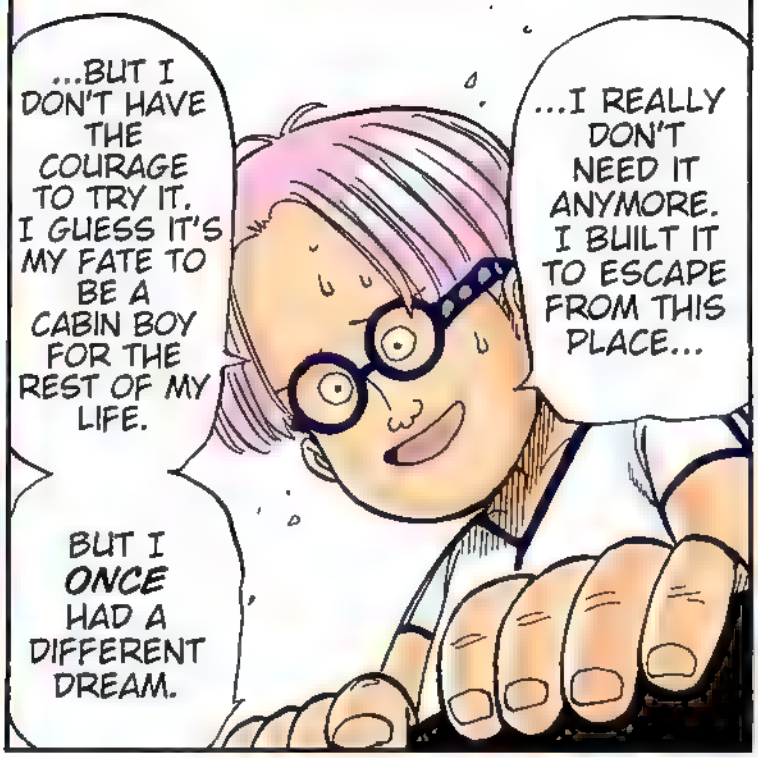
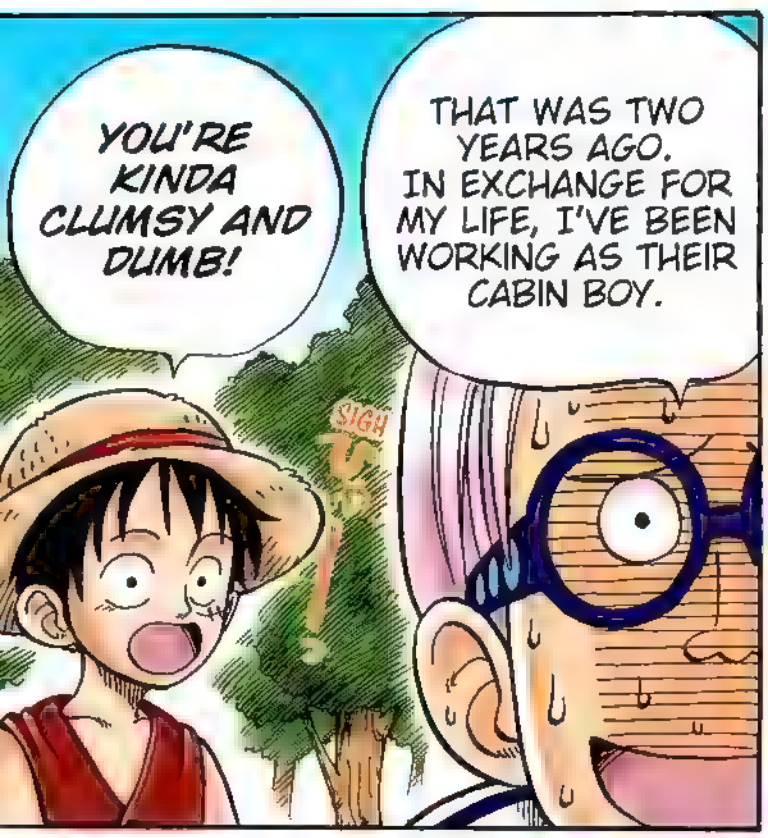
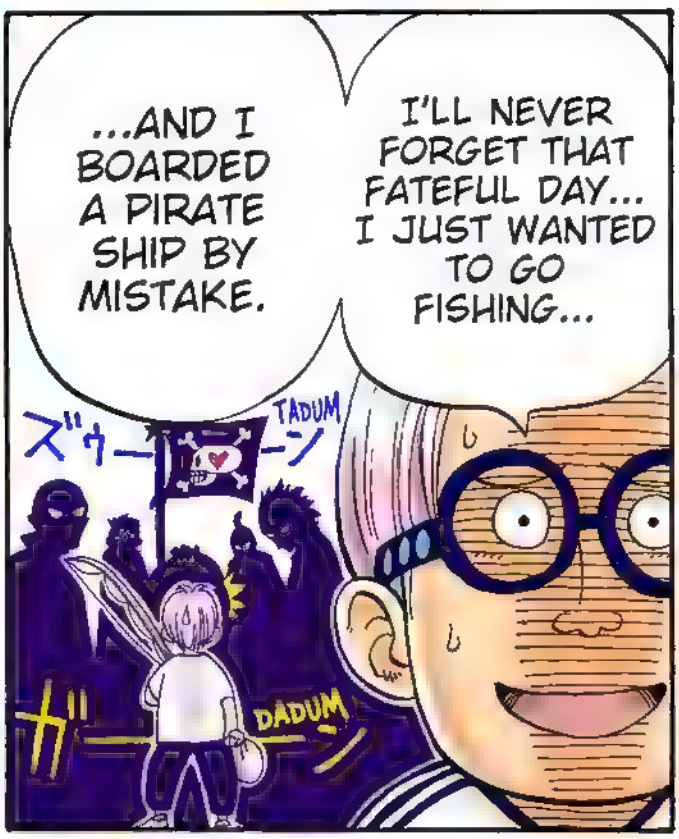

...BUT I DON'T HAVE THE COURAGE TO TRY IT. I GUESS IT'S MY FATE TO BE A CABIN BOY FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.
BUT I ONCE HAD A DIFFERENT DREAM.
...I REALLY DON'T NEED IT ANYMORE. I BUILT IT TO ESCAPE FROM THIS PLACE...


YOU'RE KINDA CLUMSY AND DUMB!
THAT WAS TWO YEARS AGO. IN EXCHANGE FOR MY LIFE, I'VE BEEN WORKING AS THEIR CABIN BOY.
SIGH


...AND I BOARDED A PIRATE SHIP BY MISTAKE.
I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT FATEFUL DAY... I JUST WANTED TO GO FISHING...
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TADUM
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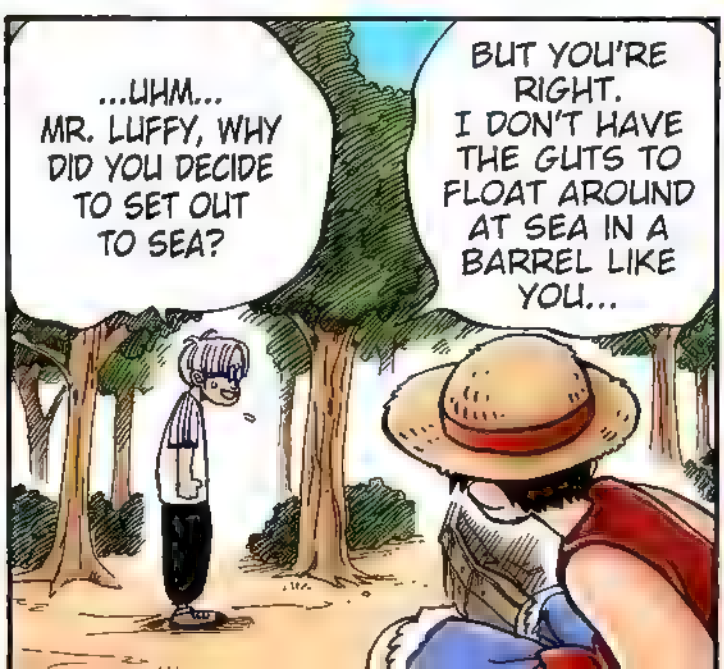
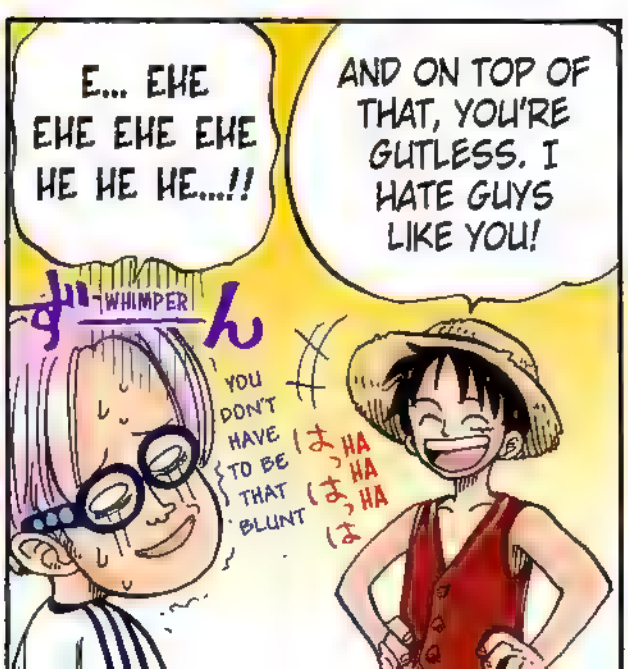
DADUM


...UHM... MR. LUFFY, WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO SET OUT TO SEA?
BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. I DON'T HAVE THE GUTS TO FLOAT AROUND AT SEA IN A BARREL LIKE YOU...


E... EHE EHE EHE EHE HE HE HE...!!
AND ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'RE GUTLESS. I HATE GUYS LIKE YOU!
WHIMPER
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THAT BLUNT
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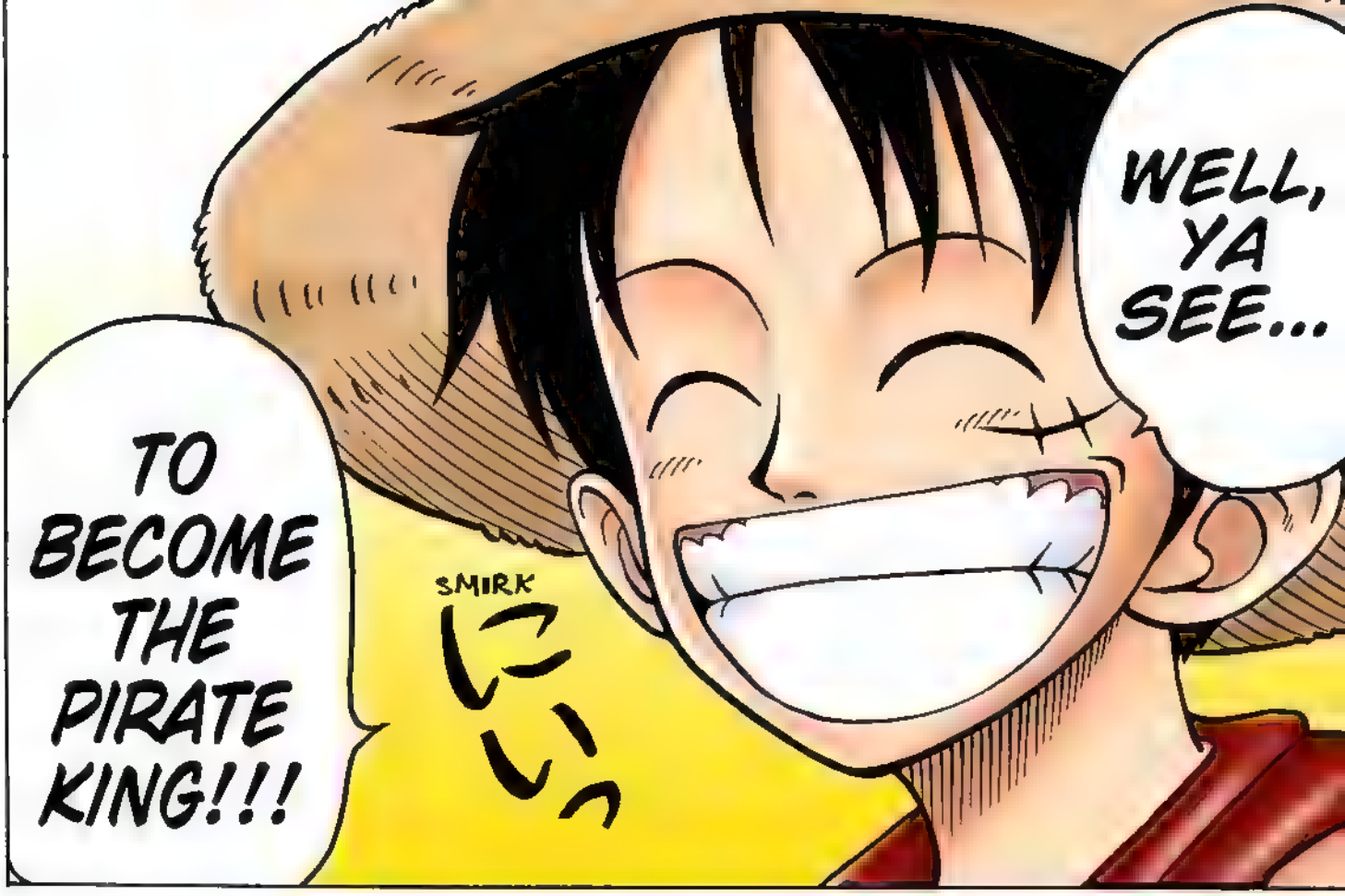
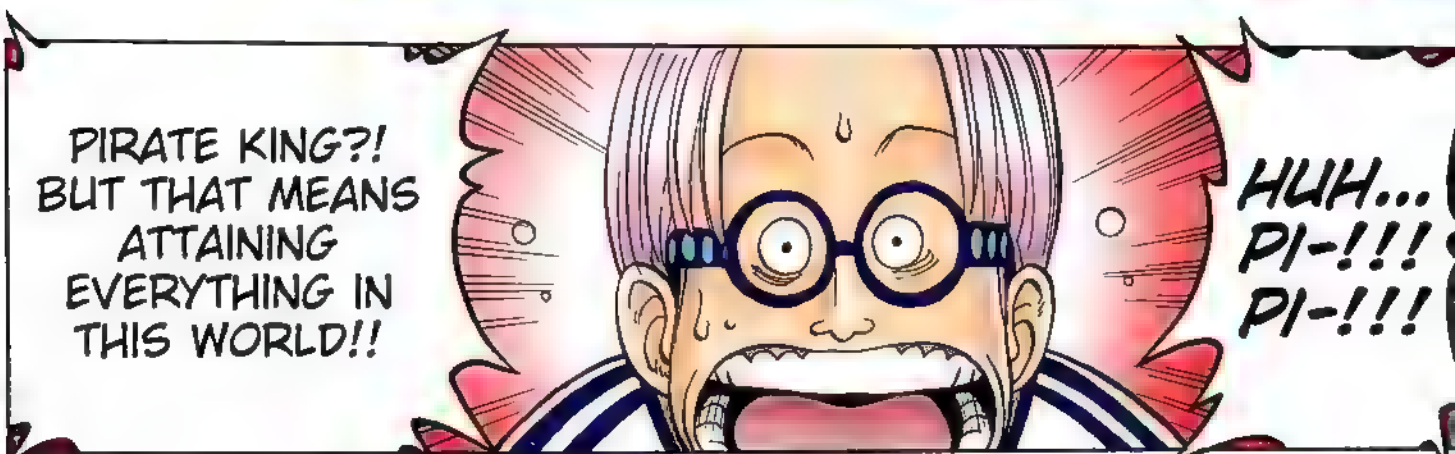
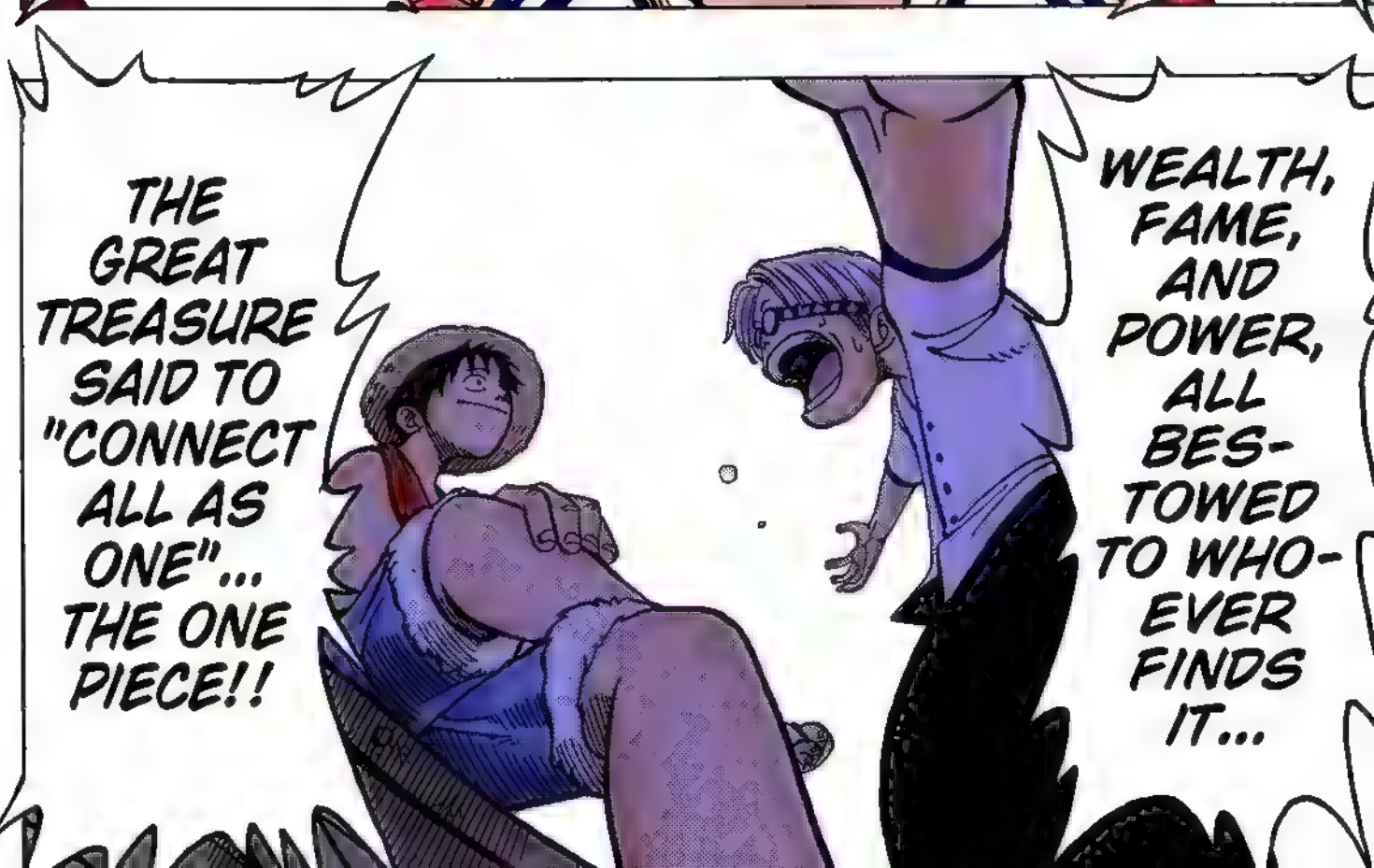
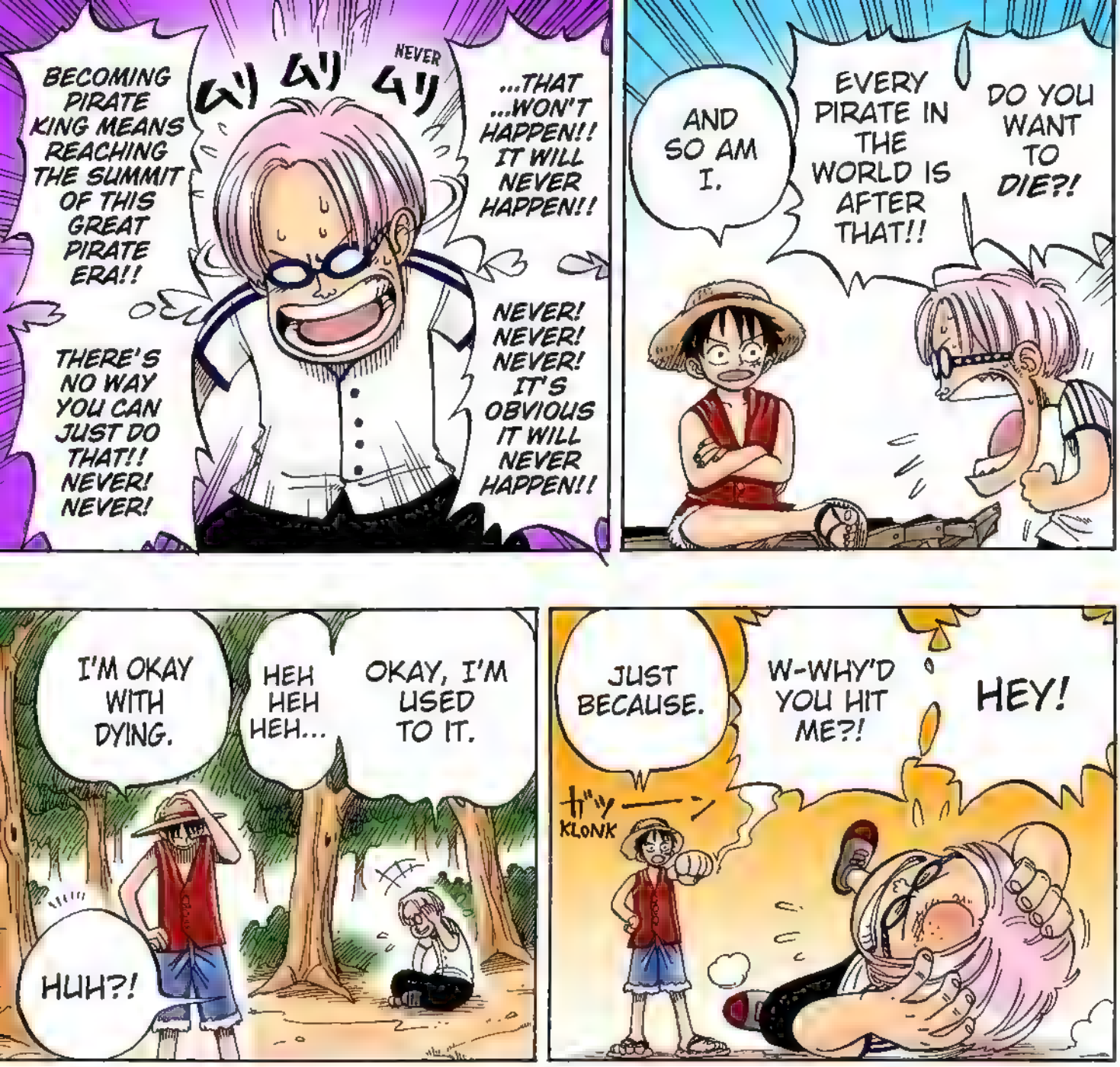
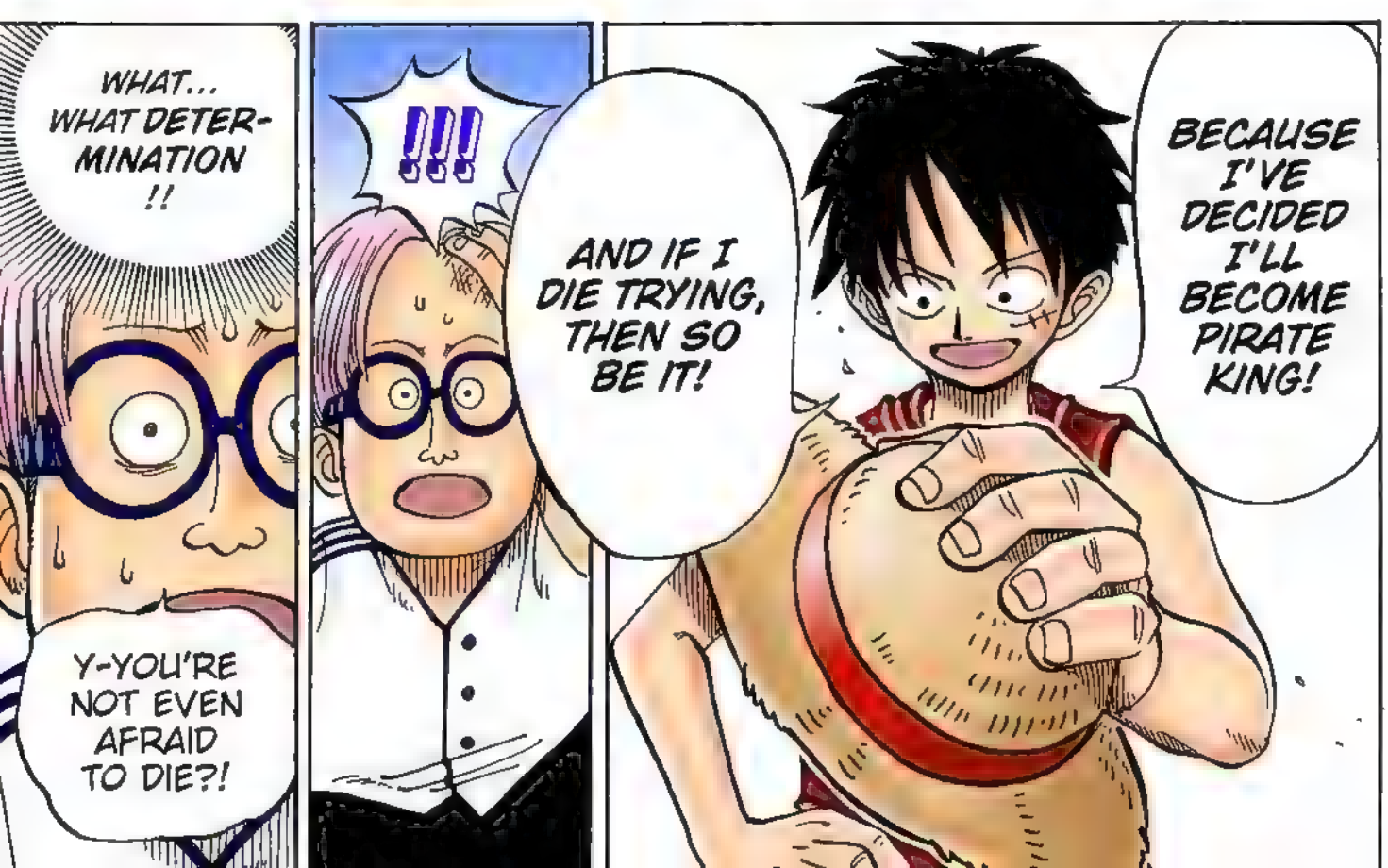

WELL, YA SEE...
SMIRK
にいっ
TO BECOME THE PIRATE KING!!!


PIRATE KING?! BUT THAT MEANS ATTAINING EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD!!
HUH... PI-!!! PI-!!!


THE GREAT TREASURE SAID TO "CONNECT ALL AS ONE"... THE ONE PIECE!!
WEALTH, FAME, AND POWER, ALL BES-TOWED TO WHO-EVER FINDS IT...


BECOMING PIRATE KING MEANS REACHING THE SUMMIT OF THIS GREAT PIRATE ERA!!
NEVER
...THAT ...WON'T HAPPEN!! IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN!!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN JUST DO THAT!! NEVER! NEVER!
NEVER! NEVER! NEVER! IT'S OBVIOUS IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN!!
AND SO AM I.
EVERY PIRATE IN THE WORLD IS AFTER THAT!!
DO YOU WANT TO DIE?!

I'M OKAY WITH DYING.
HEH HEH HEH...
OKAY, I'M USED TO IT.
HUH?!
JUST BECAUSE.
W-WHY'D YOU HIT ME?!
HEY!
KLONK


WHAT... WHAT DETER-MINATION !!
Y-YOU'RE NOT EVEN AFRAID TO DIE?!
!!!
AND IF I DIE TRYING, THEN SO BE IT!
BECAUSE I'VE DECIDED I'LL BECOME PIRATE KING!

HUH?
MAYBE... I CAN BE LIKE THAT!
SNIFF
IF I'M WILLING TO RISK MY LIFE TRYING...
...!!
I NEVER LOOKED AT IT LIKE THAT BEFORE!!
SNIFF
BUT I GUESS IT REALLY AIN'T EASY, HUH?
AND I FEEL LIKE I CAN PULL IT OFF.
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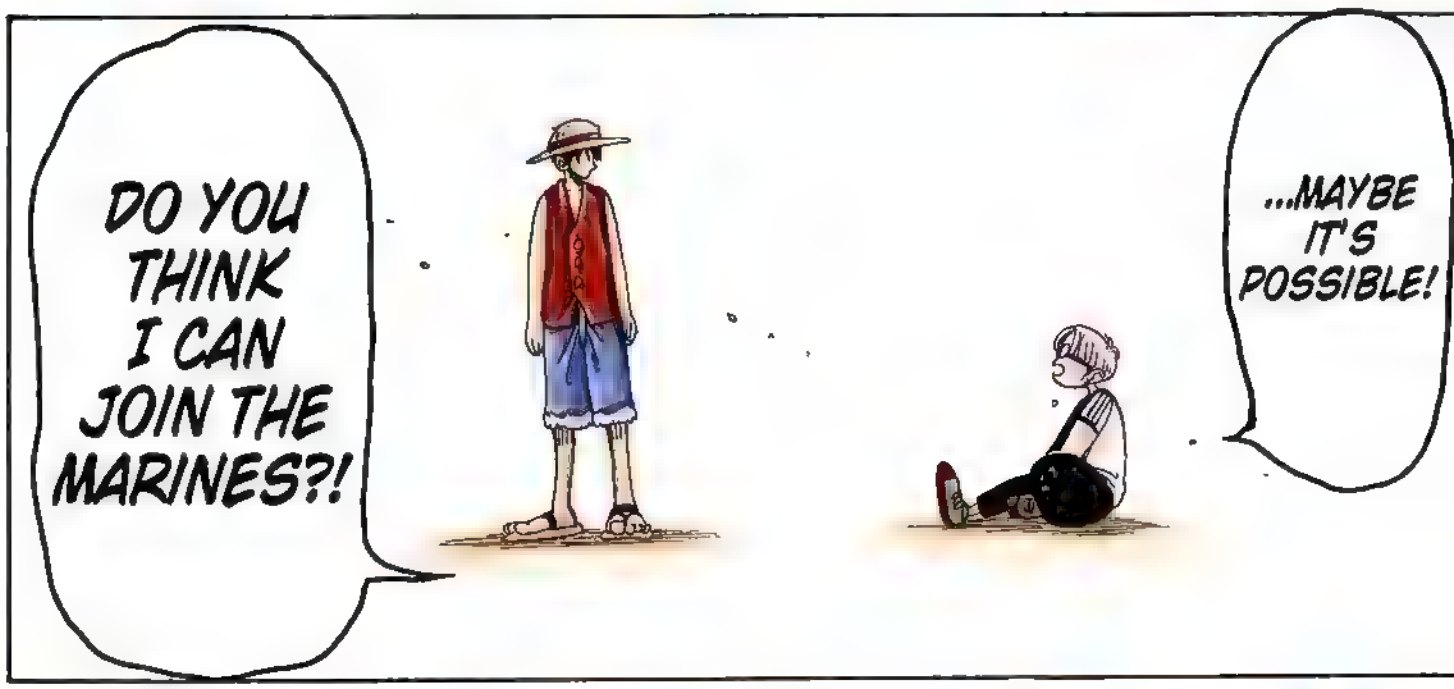
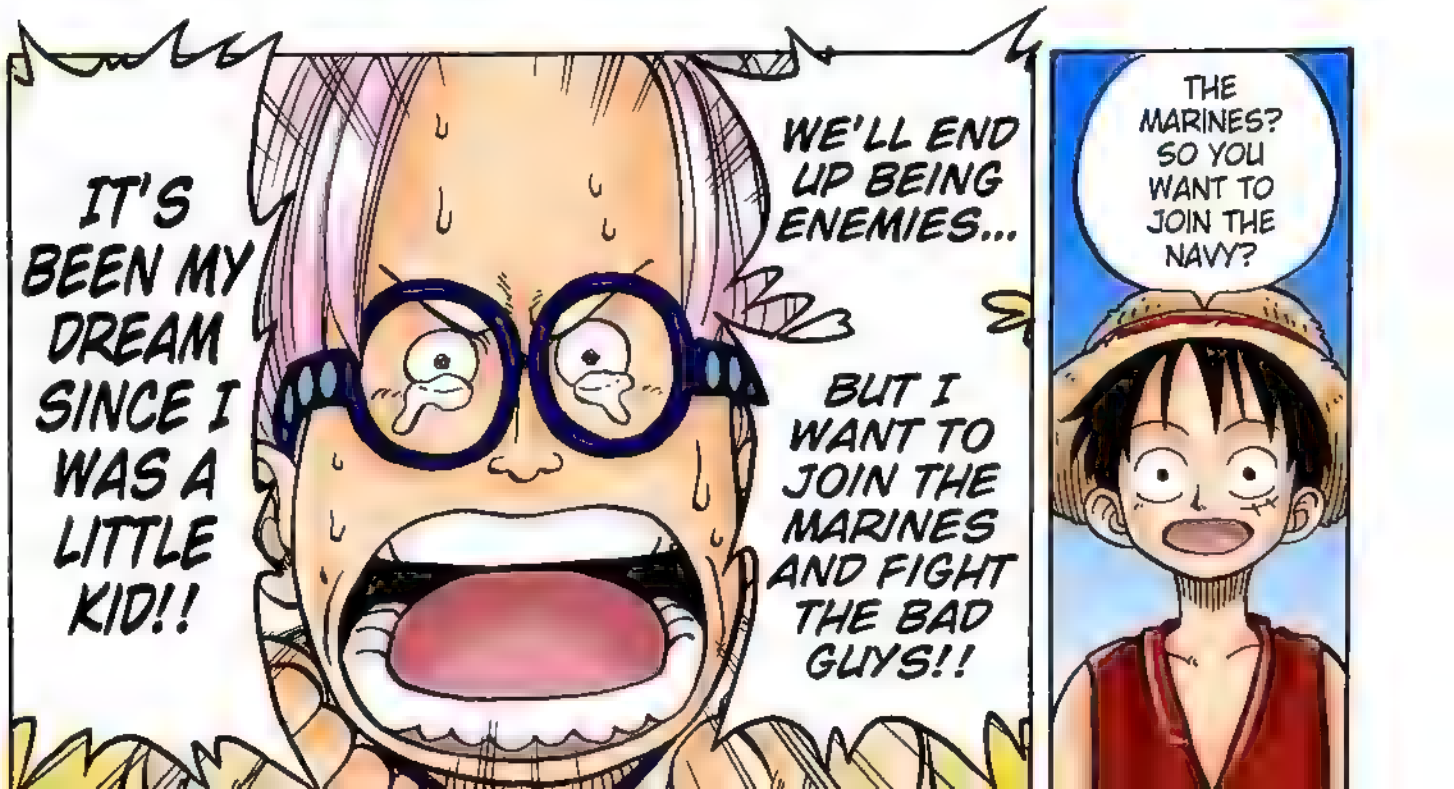
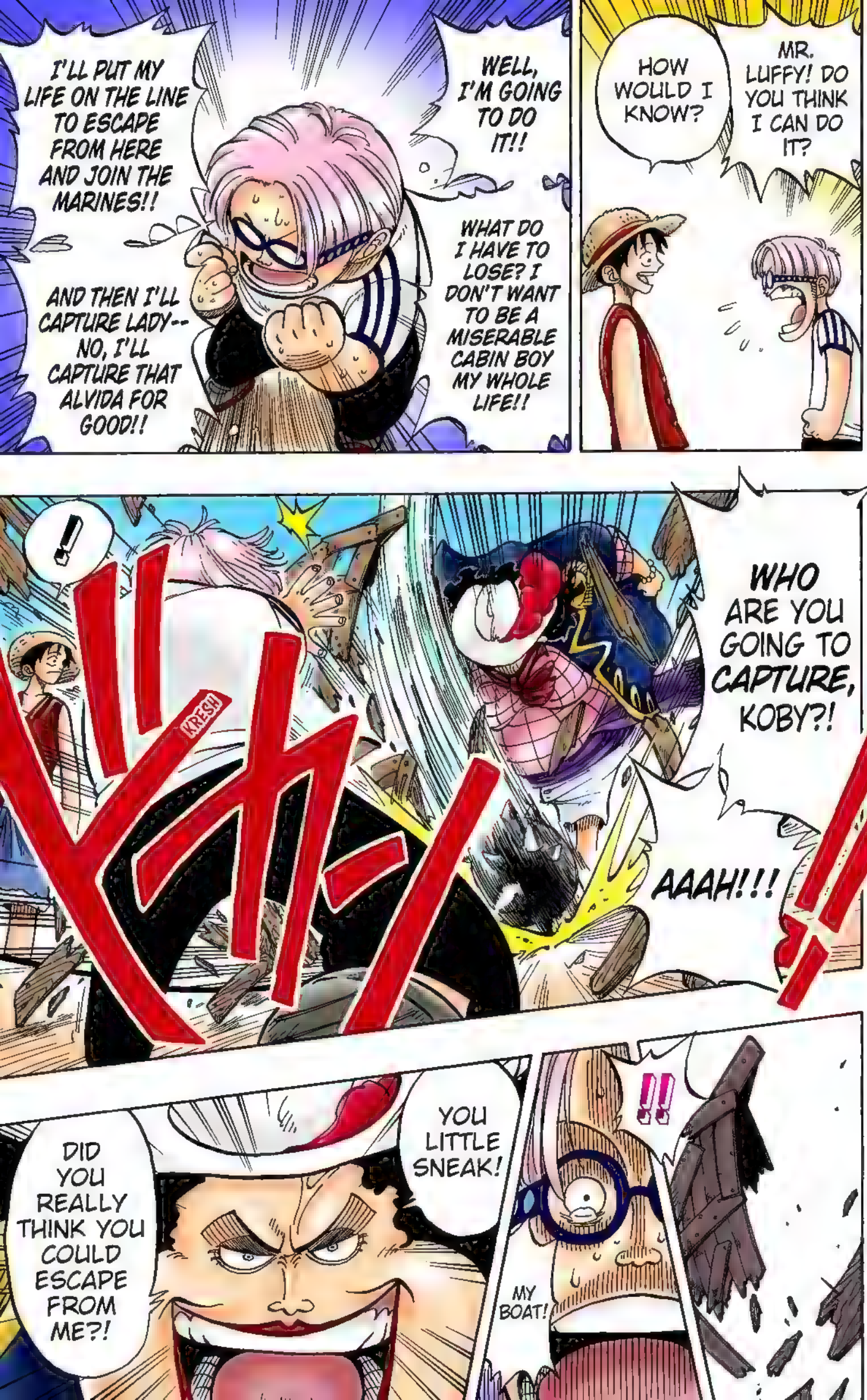
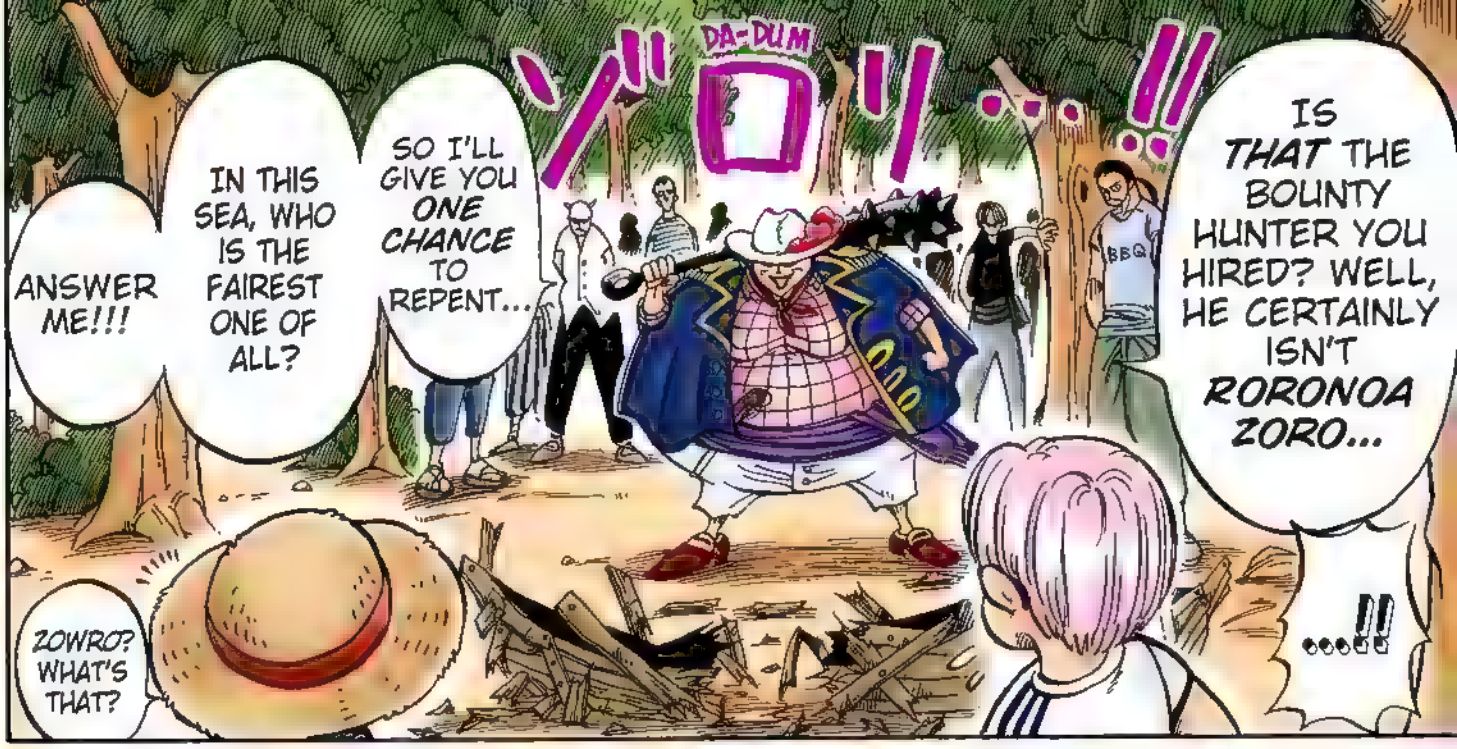
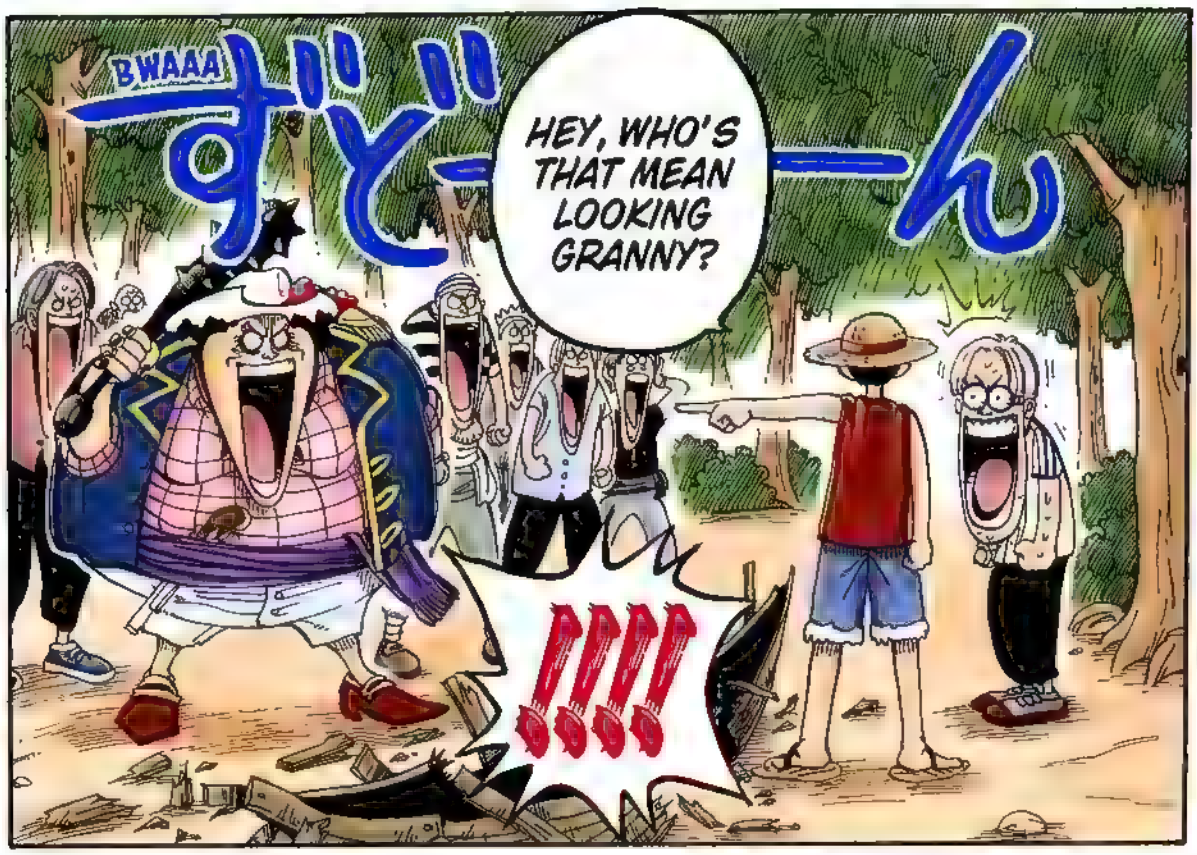

DO YOU THINK I CAN JOIN THE MARINES?!
...MAYBE IT'S POSSIBLE!


IT'S BEEN MY DREAM SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID!!
WE'LL END UP BEING ENEMIES...
BUT I WANT TO JOIN THE MARINES AND FIGHT THE BAD GUYS!!
THE MARINES? SO YOU WANT TO JOIN THE NAVY?


I'LL PUT MY LIFE ON THE LINE TO ESCAPE FROM HERE AND JOIN THE MARINES!!
AND THEN I'LL CAPTURE LADY-- NO, I'LL CAPTURE THAT ALVIDA FOR GOOD!!
WELL, I'M GOING TO DO IT!!
WHAT DO I HAVE TO LOSE? I DON'T WANT TO BE A MISERABLE CABIN BOY MY WHOLE LIFE!!
MR. LUFFY! DO YOU THINK I CAN DO IT?
HOW WOULD I KNOW?
!
KRESH
WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CAPTURE, KOBY?!
AAAH!!!
DID YOU REALLY THINK YOU COULD ESCAPE FROM ME?!
YOU LITTLE SNEAK!
!!
MY BOAT!


DA-DUM
ゾロリ…!!
ANSWER ME!!!
IN THIS SEA, WHO IS THE FAIREST ONE OF ALL?
SO I'LL GIVE YOU ONE CHANCE TO REPENT...
IS THAT THE BOUNTY HUNTER YOU HIRED? WELL, HE CERTAINLY ISN'T RORONOA ZORO...
...!!
ZOWRO? WHAT'S THAT?
BBQ


BWAAA
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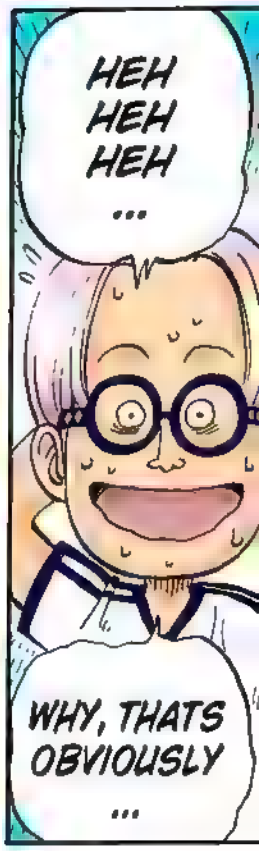
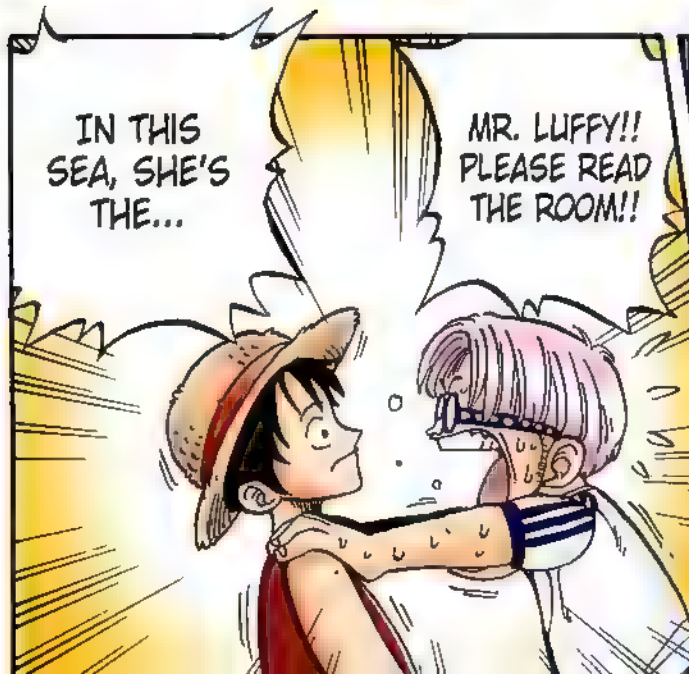
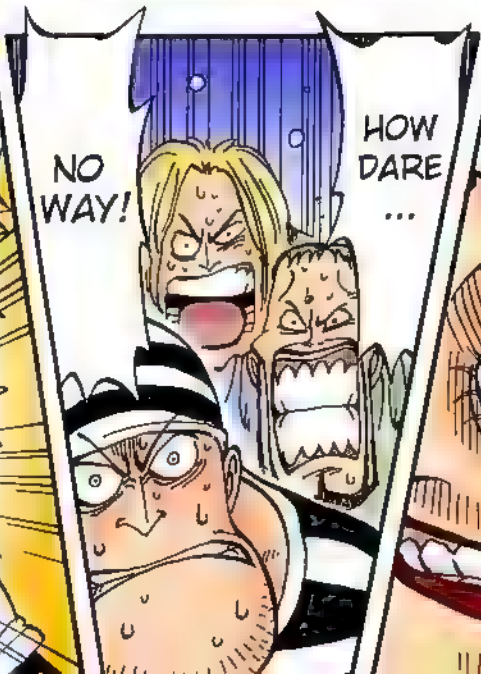
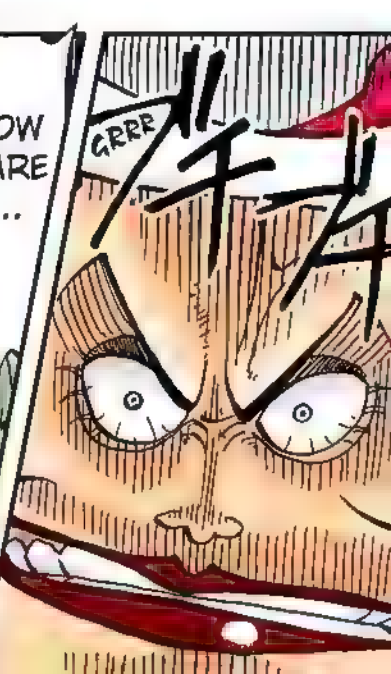
HEY, WHO'S THAT MEAN LOOKING GRANNY?
!!!!


HEH HEH HEH ...
WHY, THATS OBVIOUSLY ...


IN THIS SEA, SHE'S THE...
MR. LUFFY!! PLEASE READ THE ROOM!!


NO WAY!
HOW DARE ...


GRRR
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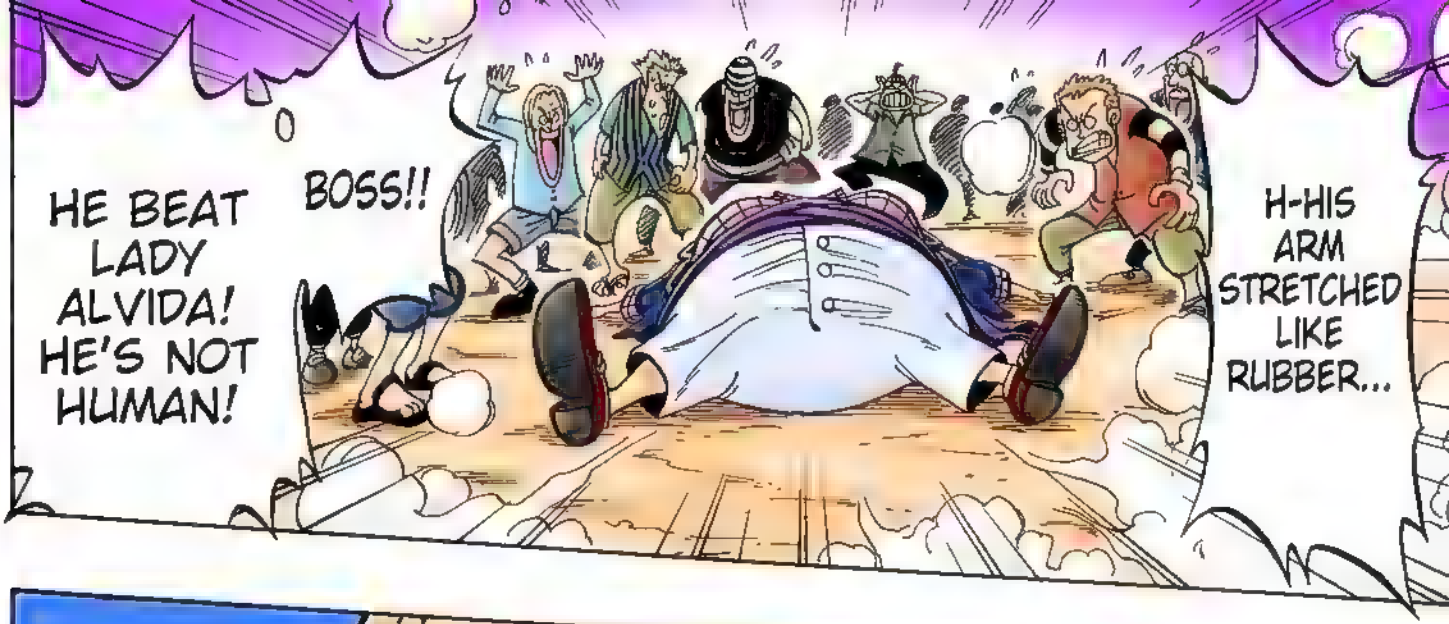
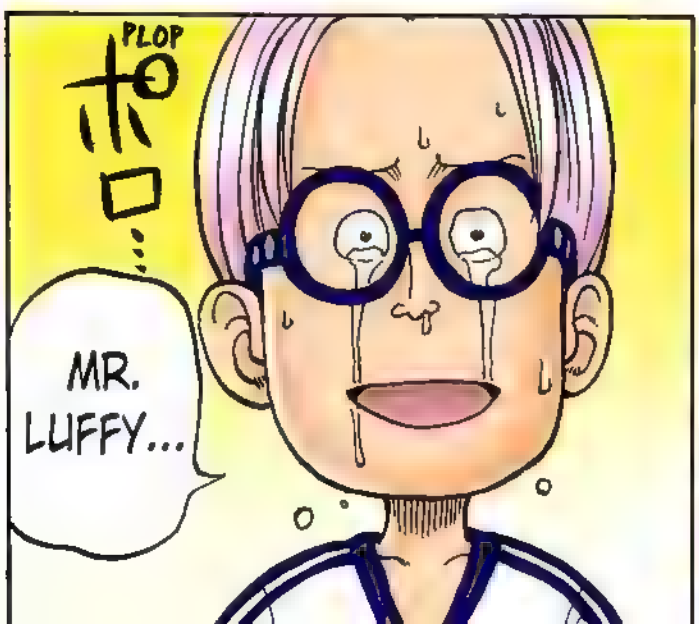
...THE MEANEST BITCH OF THEM ALL!!!
SHE'S ...
BECAUSE I DECIDED I'LL BECOME PIRATE KING!
AND IF I DIE TRYING, THEN SO BE IT!
LADY ALVIDA IS...
HA HA HA HA HA HA!
SHAAAOOO
GULP!
I HAVE NO REGRETS!! NO REGRETS!! I SAID IT!! I'LL FIGHT!! I'LL FIGHT FOR MY DREAM!!
YOU LITTLE --!!!
ELAAA!!!

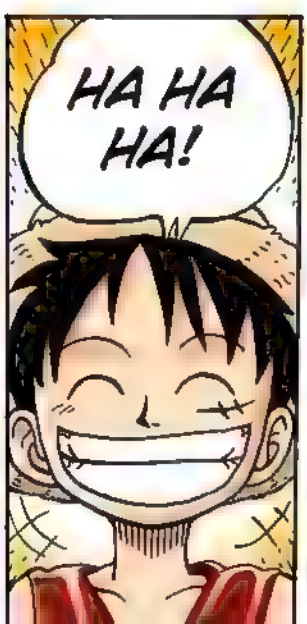
WHAM
YOU'RE BOTH GOING TO DIE!!
!!
FLINK
MR. L-LUFFY ...!!
GOOD FOR YOU, KOBY!!
IT MAKES NO DIFFER-ENCE TO ME...
IMPOSSIBLE! NO ONE SURVIVES THE IRON CLUB!!
?!!
'CAUSE I'M MADE OF RU-BBER!
SMIRK
THAT DIDN'T HURT!

WHAT THE--?
... PISTOL!
GUM-GUM...
YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING !!!
...?!
BWOM
?!!!

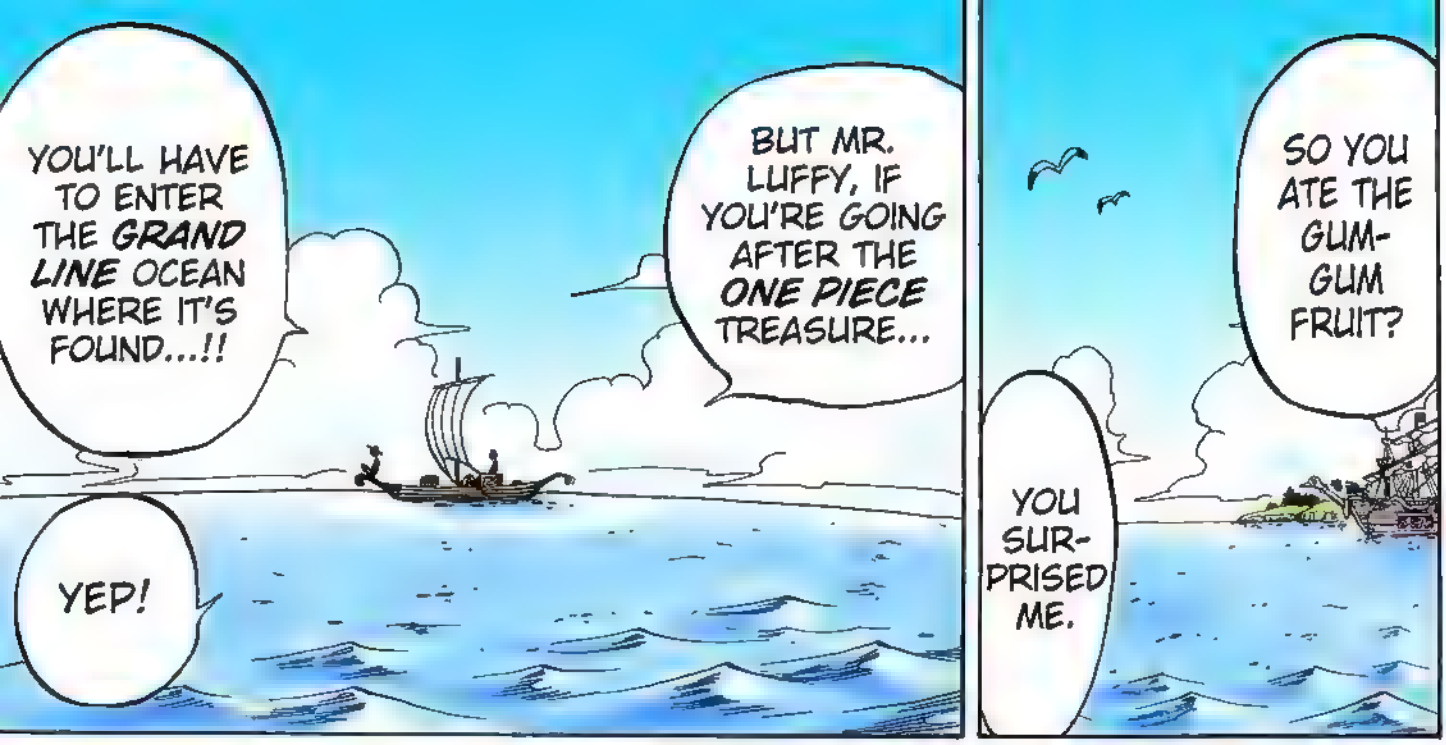

HE BEAT LADY ALVIDA! HE'S NOT HUMAN!
BOSS!!
H-HIS ARM STRETCHED LIKE RUBBER...

GIVE KOBY A DINGHY!
HE'S GONNA JOIN THE MARINES!

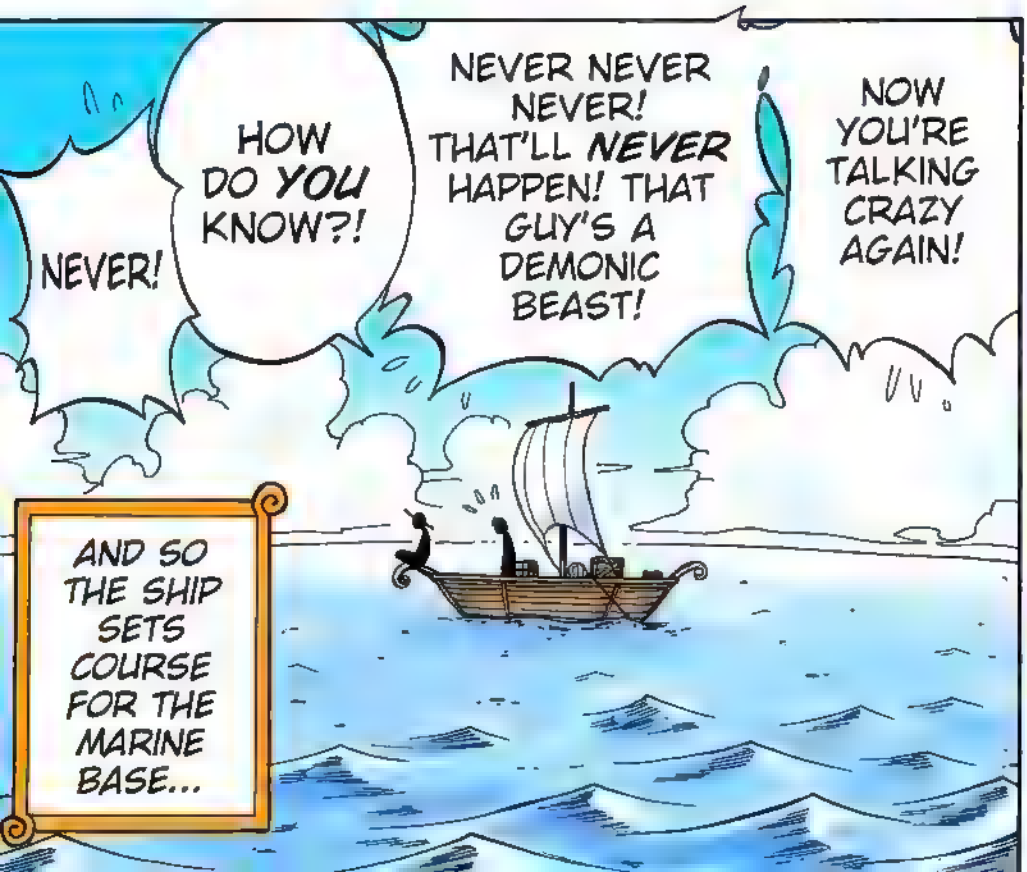

PLOP
MR. LUFFY...

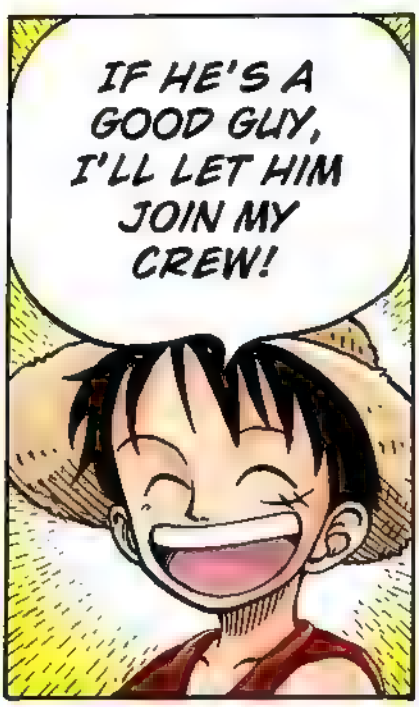

HA HA HA!

Y- YESSIR...

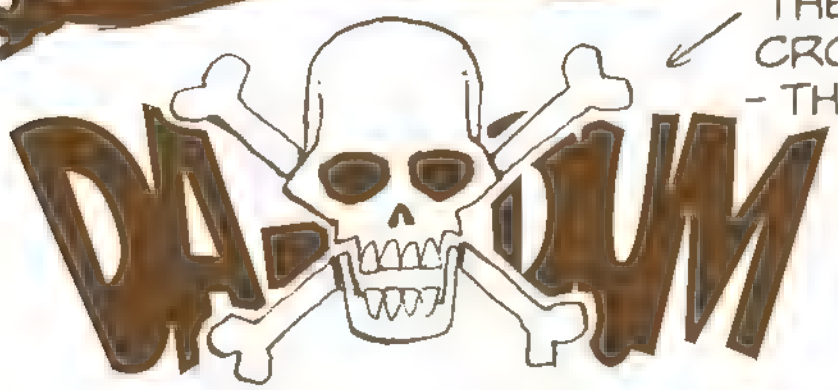

YOU'LL HAVE TO ENTER THE GRAND LINE OCEAN WHERE IT'S FOUND...!!
BUT MR. LUFFY, IF YOU'RE GOING AFTER THE ONE PIECE TREASURE...
YEP!
SO YOU ATE THE GUM-GUM FRUIT?
YOU SUR-PRISED ME.

AH... RORONOA ZORO?
WHAT'S HIS NAME?
THAT GUY IMPRISONED AT THE MARINE BASE...
YEAH! THAT'S WHY I NEED STRONG CREW-MATES!
THEY CALL IT THE PIRATES' GRAVE-YARD...


NEVER!
HOW DO YOU KNOW?!
NEVER NEVER NEVER! THAT'LL NEVER HAPPEN! THAT GUY'S A DEMONIC BEAST!
NOW YOU'RE TALKING CRAZY AGAIN!
AND SO THE SHIP SETS COURSE FOR THE MARINE BASE...


IF HE'S A GOOD GUY, I'LL LET HIM JOIN MY CREW!

STEP 1
THE PIRATE FLAG



"THE SKULL AND CROSSBONES" - THE CROSSBONES ARE THIGH BONES.

HERE IS SOME INFORMATION REGARDING THE PIRATE FLAG. THE PIRATE FLAG IS GENERALLY CALLED THE "JOLLY ROGER" AND IS A SYMBOL OF DEATH. SCARY, ISN'T IT?

THERE ARE MANY THEORIES CONCERNING THE ORIGIN OF THE TERM "JOLLY ROGER."

- SOME SAY IT COMES FROM THE FRENCH "JOLIE ROUGE" OR "RED LOVELY," POSSIBLY REFERRING TO BLOOD.

- ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS THAT "ROGER" WAS ORIGINALLY THE WORD "ROGUE," MEANING A THIEF OR VILLAIN.

- AND THEN THERE ARE THOSE WHO SAY IT'S RELATED TO "OLD ROGER," WHICH WAS A NAME FOR THE DEVIL.

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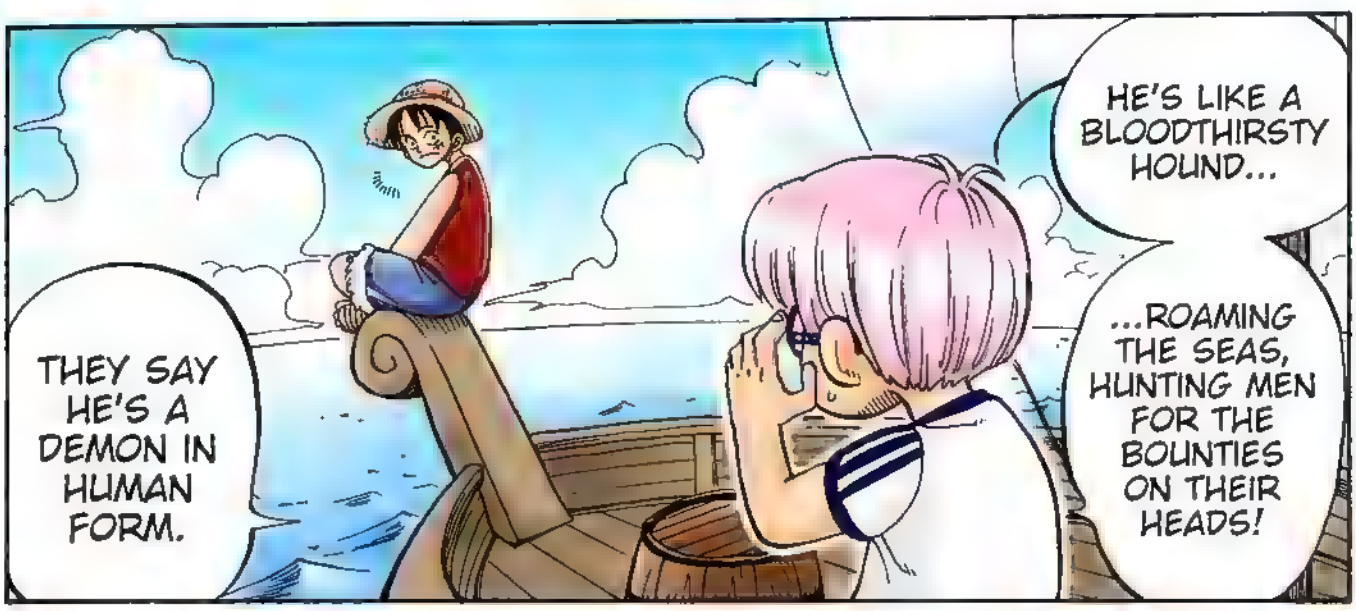
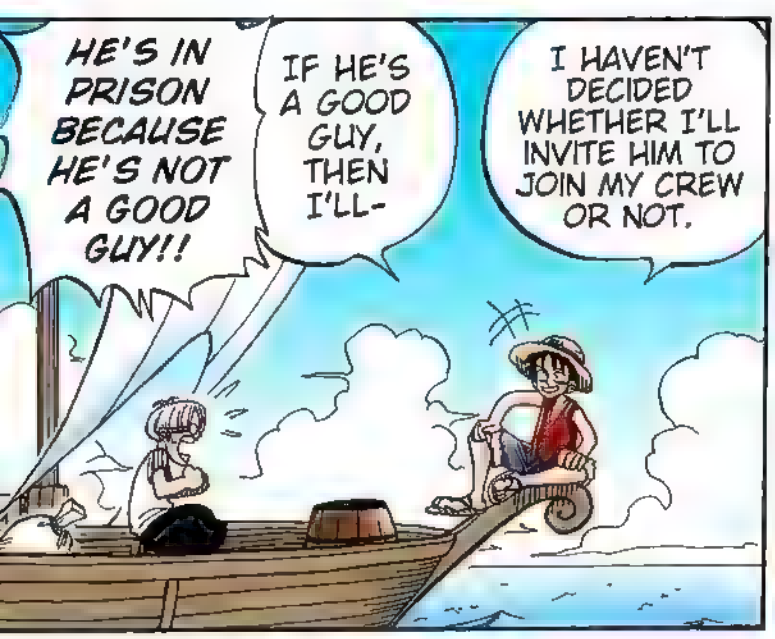
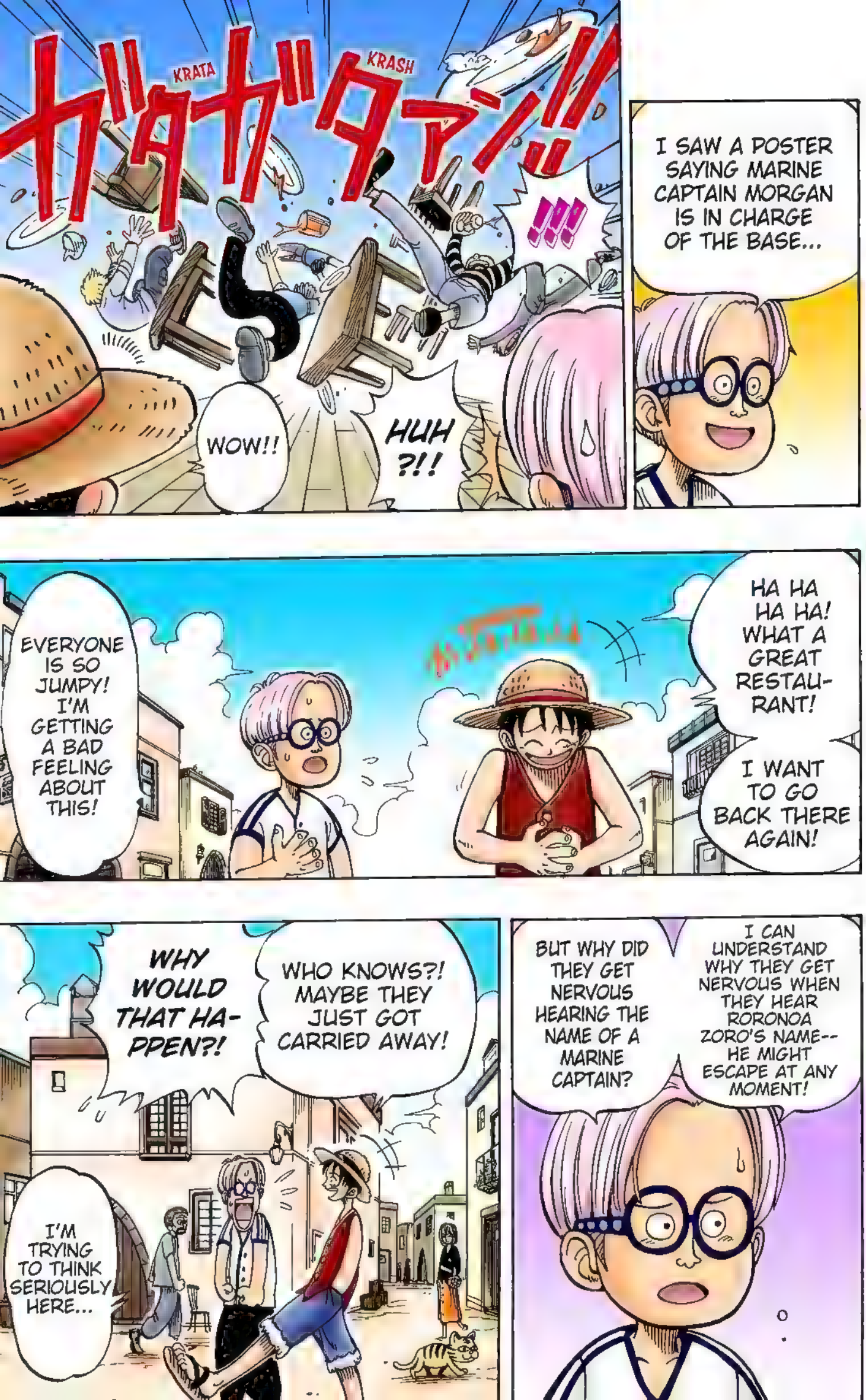

HE'S LIKE A BLOODTHIRSTY HOUND...
...ROAMING THE SEAS, HUNTING MEN FOR THE BOUNTIES ON THEIR HEADS!
THEY SAY HE'S A DEMON IN HUMAN FORM.


HE'S IN PRISON BECAUSE HE'S NOT A GOOD GUY!!
IF HE'S A GOOD GUY, THEN I'LL-
I HAVEN'T DECIDED WHETHER I'LL INVITE HIM TO JOIN MY CREW OR NOT.

Chapter 3:
PIRATE HUNTER ZORO TAKES THE STAGE

DODON
MARINE
WE'RE FINALLY HERE! WE MADE IT TO THE MARINE BASE TOWN!
YEAH! WE FINALLY MADE IT!
KOBY, YOU'RE AMAZING!
HUH?
YOU ACTUALLY GOT US TO OUR DESTI-NATION!
OF COURSE I DID!
THAT'S THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR PEOPLE WHO SAIL THE SEAS.
MR. LUFFY, IF YOU KEEP RANDOMLY FLOATING AROUND, YOU'LL NEVER BECOME A PIRATE.
YOU SHOULD FIND A NAVI-GATOR FOR YOUR CREW.
YEAH!! THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO!! NOW, LET'S EAT!!
DON

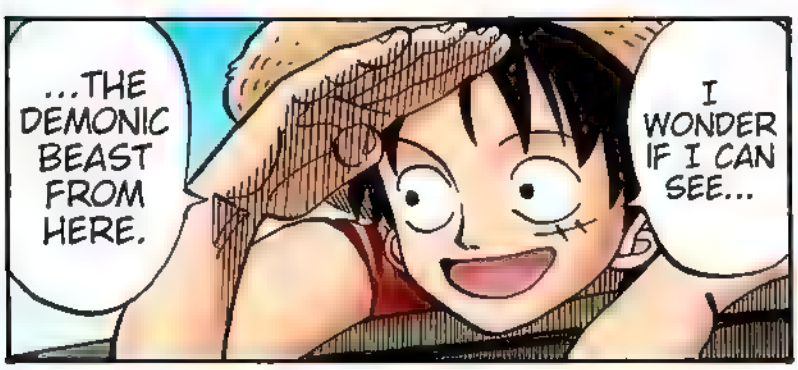
AND I HOPE YOU BECOME A GREAT PIRATE!
YES..!! THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR. LUFFY.
I HOPE YOU GET TO JOIN AND BECOME A GREAT MARINE!
WELL, KOBY, I GUESS THIS IS WHERE WE GO OUR SEPARATE WAYS.
...EVEN IF THAT MEANS WE'LL BE ENEMIES.
WANT
FOOD
KRASH
ガタ-!!!
!!!
HEY, I JUST REMEMBERED... THAT GUY IS SUPPOSED TO BE IMPRISONED HERE, RORONOA ZORO...
HMMM...
PSST
MAYBE YOU SHOULDN'T SAY THAT NAME OUT LOUD AROUND HERE...
...?
TRMBL
ビク ビク...
...!!!


KRATA
KRASH
ガタガタァ!!!
!!!
WOW!!
HUH ?!!
I SAW A POSTER SAYING MARINE CAPTAIN MORGAN IS IN CHARGE OF THE BASE...
EVERYONE IS SO JUMPY! I'M GETTING A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS!
HA HA HA HA! WHAT A GREAT RESTAU-RANT!
I WANT TO GO BACK THERE AGAIN!
WHY WOULD THAT HA-PPEN?!
WHO KNOWS?! MAYBE THEY JUST GOT CARRIED AWAY!
I'M TRYING TO THINK SERIOUSLY HERE...
BUT WHY DID THEY GET NERVOUS HEARING THE NAME OF A MARINE CAPTAIN?
I CAN UNDERSTAND WHY THEY GET NERVOUS WHEN THEY HEAR RORONOA ZORO'S NAME-- HE MIGHT ESCAPE AT ANY MOMENT!

DON
MARINE
MARINE 153RD BRANCH
MARINE
海軍
IT LOOKS SO BIG UP CLOSE!
...!!

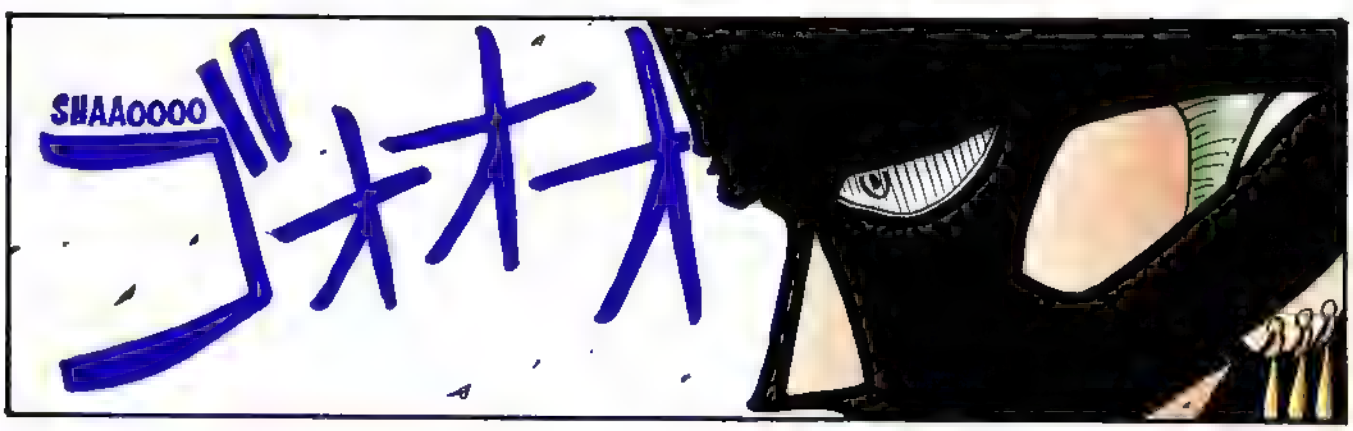
MR. LUFFY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
SHUMP
ぴょん

B-BUT I HAVEN'T MENTALLY PREPARED MYSELF YET...
GO ON IN, KOBY!
AND THOSE PEOPLE SURE WERE SCARED WHEN THEY HEARD THE CAPTAIN'S NAME...


...THE DEMONIC BEAST FROM HERE.
I WONDER IF I CAN SEE...

MAYBE IT'S ZORO!
GULP ゴク…
WHAT?!

OH YEAH? WELL THERE'S SOMEBODY OVER THERE!
HE'S PROBABLY DEEP WITHIN THE BOWELS OF THE PRISON...
YOU WON'T FIND HIM JUST BY PEEKING OVER THE FENCE.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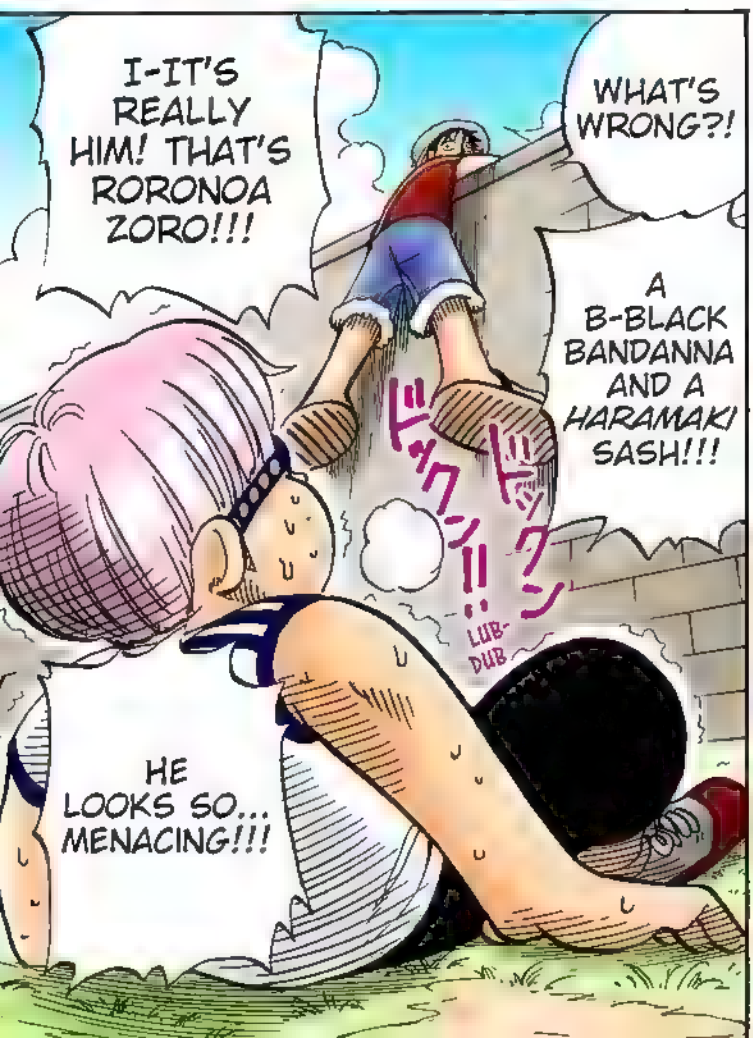
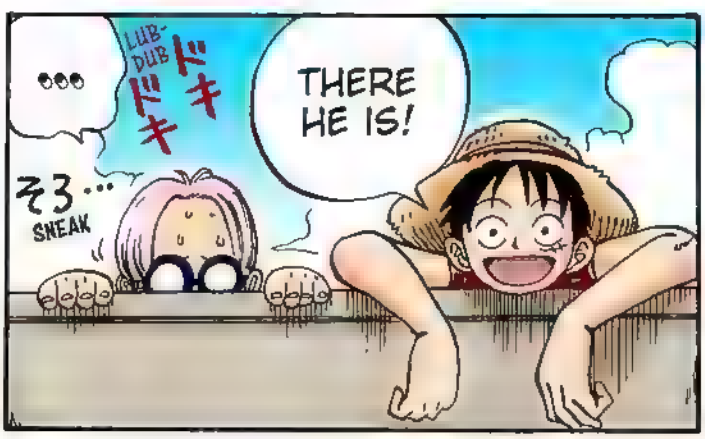

I-IT'S REALLY HIM! THAT'S RORONOA ZORO!!!
WHAT'S WRONG?!
A B-BLACK BANDANNA AND A HARAMAKI SASH!!!
ドックン!! LUB-DUB
HE LOOKS SO... MENACING!!!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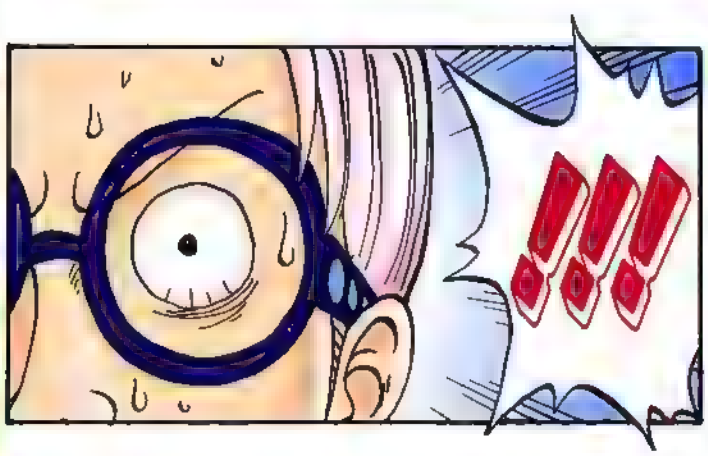
LUB-DUB ドキ ドキ
そろ… SNEAK
THERE HE IS!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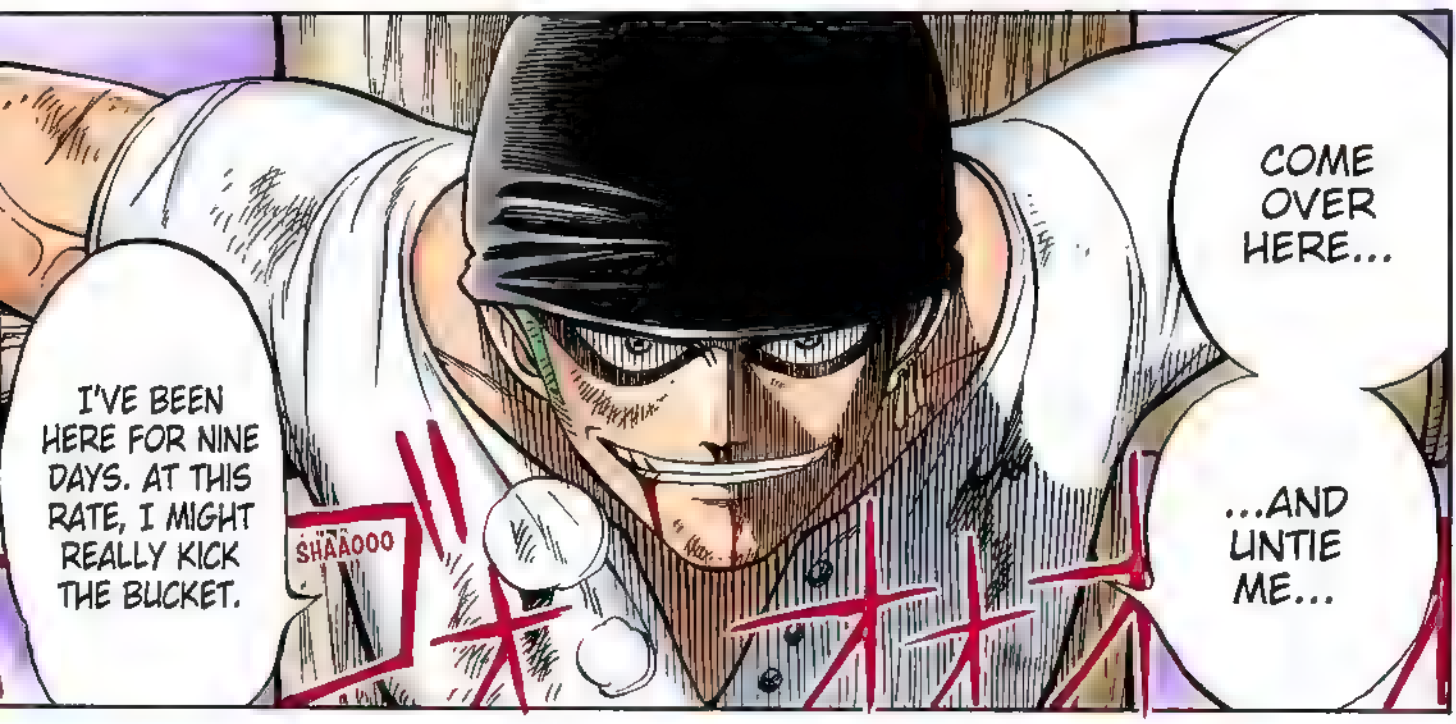
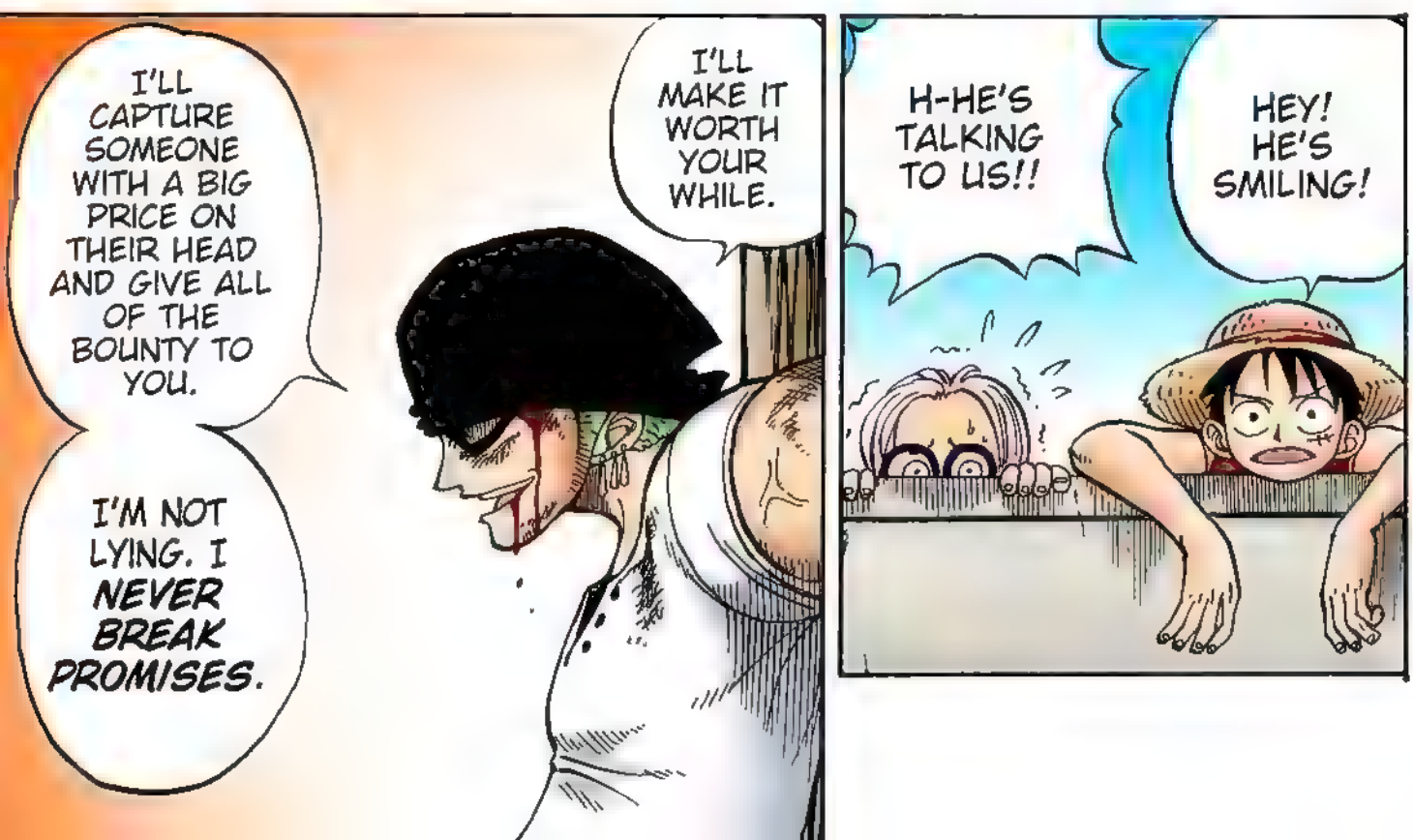
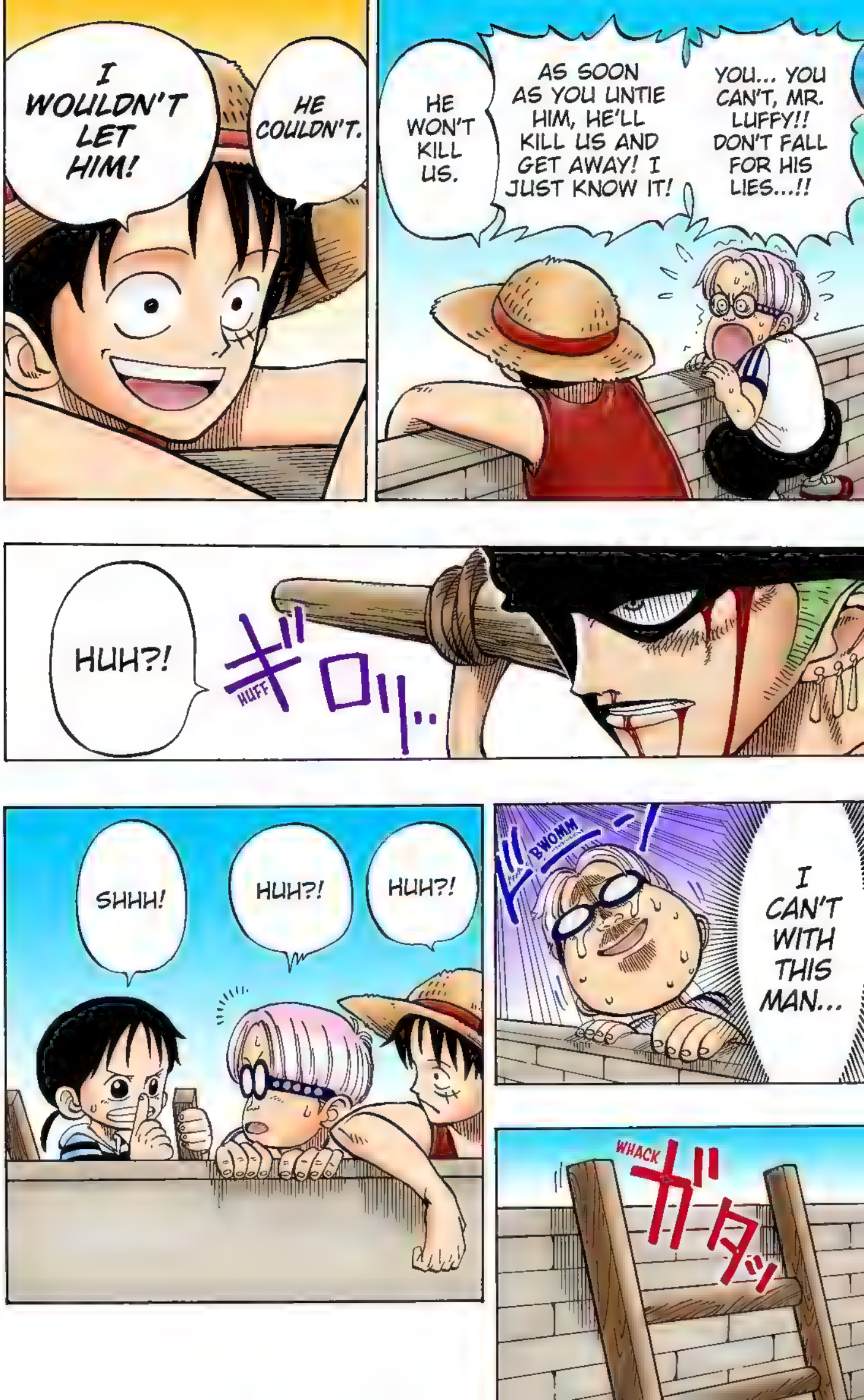
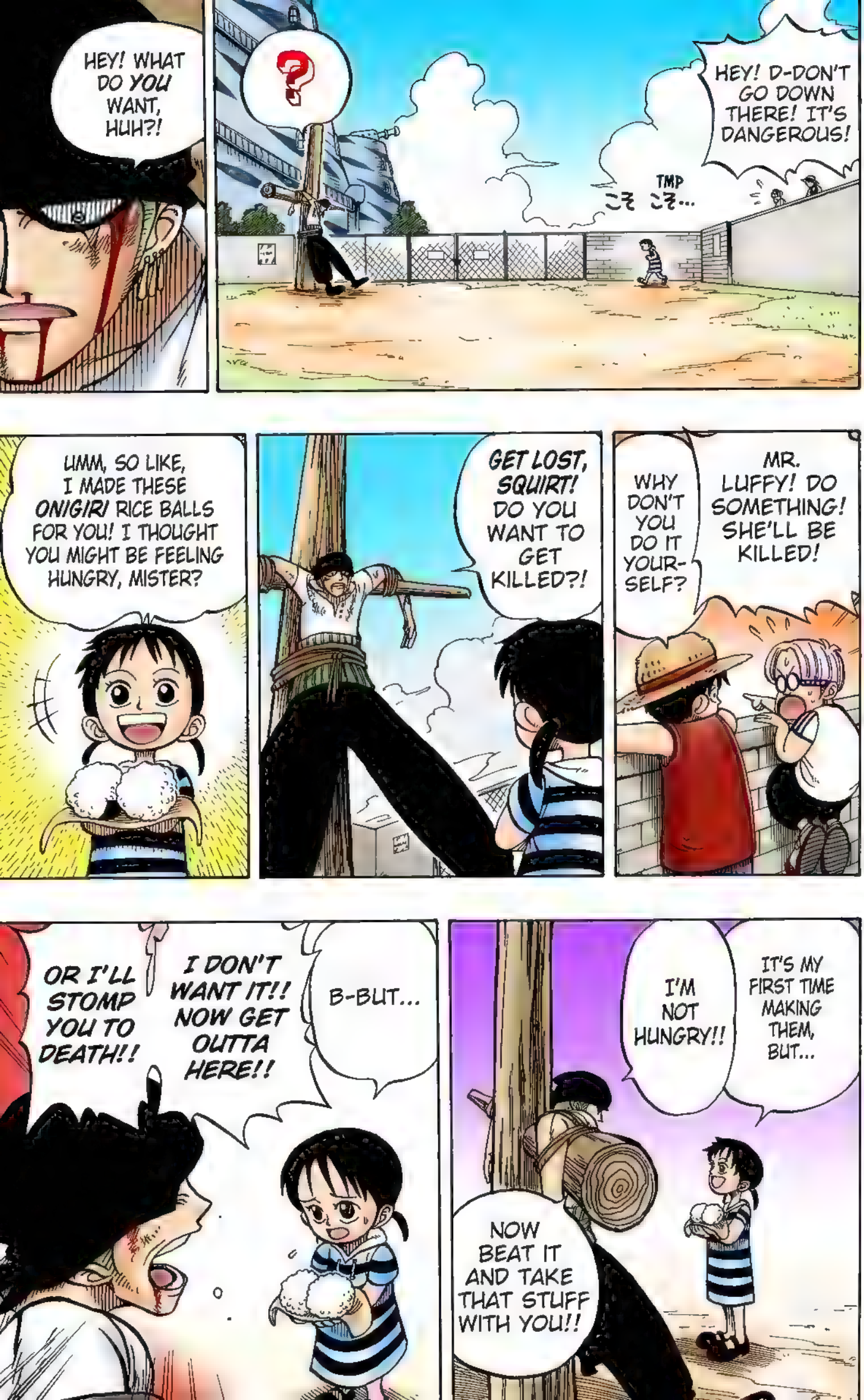
DON
SO THAT'S HIM. HMM! I COULD JUST UNTIE THOSE ROPES AND SET HIM FREE...

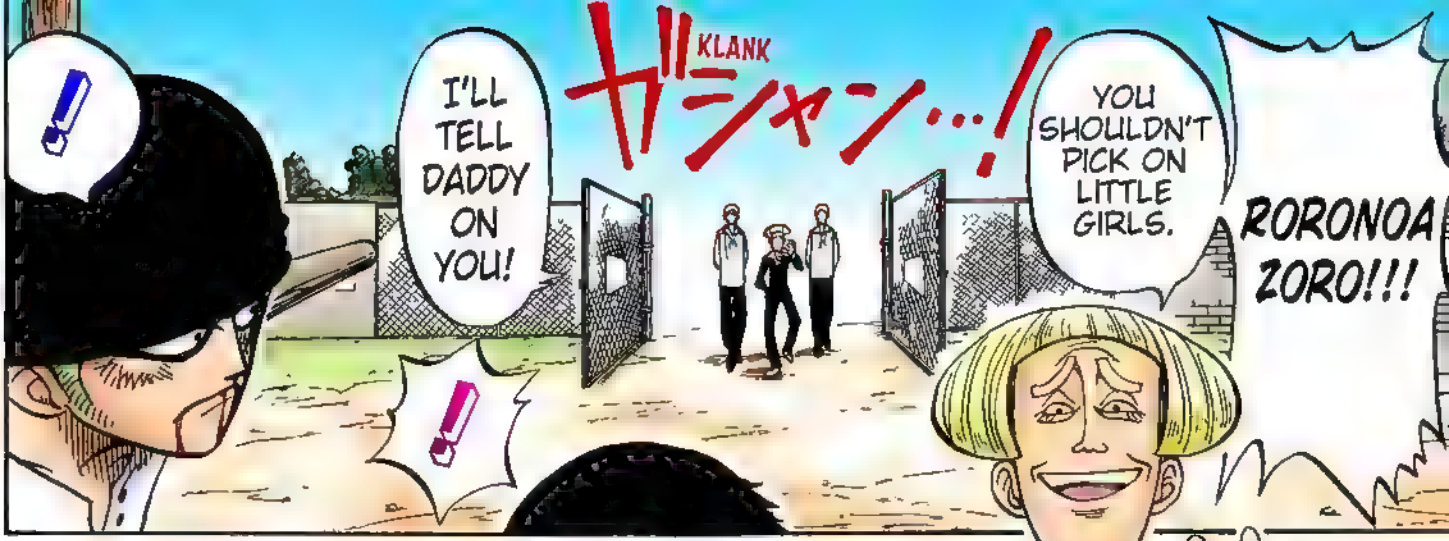
YIKES!
HUH?
HEY, YOU.
IF WE SET HIM FREE, HE'LL WIPE OUT THE TOWN OVERNIGHT AND KILL YOU WHILE AT IT!!
DO... DON'T BE RIDI-CULOUS!! PLEASE!!


I'VE BEEN HERE FOR NINE DAYS. AT THIS RATE, I MIGHT REALLY KICK THE BUCKET.
SHÄÄOOO
COME OVER HERE...
...AND UNTIE ME...


I'LL CAPTURE SOMEONE WITH A BIG PRICE ON THEIR HEAD AND GIVE ALL OF THE BOUNTY TO YOU.
I'M NOT LYING. I NEVER BREAK PROMISES.
I'LL MAKE IT WORTH YOUR WHILE.
H-HE'S TALKING TO US!!
HEY! HE'S SMILING!


I WOULDN'T LET HIM!
HE COULDN'T.
HE WON'T KILL US.
AS SOON AS YOU UNTIE HIM, HE'LL KILL US AND GET AWAY! I JUST KNOW IT!
YOU... YOU CAN'T, MR. LUFFY!! DON'T FALL FOR HIS LIES...!!
HUH?!
HUFF
SHHH!
HUH?!
HUH?!
BWOMM
I CAN'T WITH THIS MAN...
WHACK


HEY! WHAT DO YOU WANT, HUH?!
?
HEY! D-DON'T GO DOWN THERE! IT'S DANGEROUS!
TMP
こそ こそ…
UMM, SO LIKE, I MADE THESE ONIGIRI RICE BALLS FOR YOU! I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE FEELING HUNGRY, MISTER?
GET LOST, SQUIRT! DO YOU WANT TO GET KILLED?!
MR. LUFFY! DO SOMETHING! SHE'LL BE KILLED!
WHY DON'T YOU DO IT YOUR-SELF?
B-BUT...
I DON'T WANT IT!! NOW GET OUTTA HERE!!
OR I'LL STOMP YOU TO DEATH!!
IT'S MY FIRST TIME MAKING THEM, BUT...
I'M NOT HUNGRY!!
NOW BEAT IT AND TAKE THAT STUFF WITH YOU!!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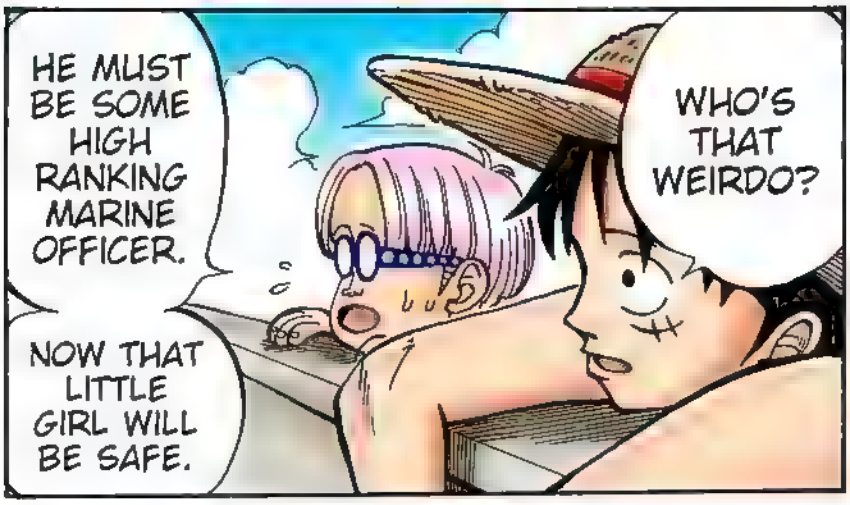
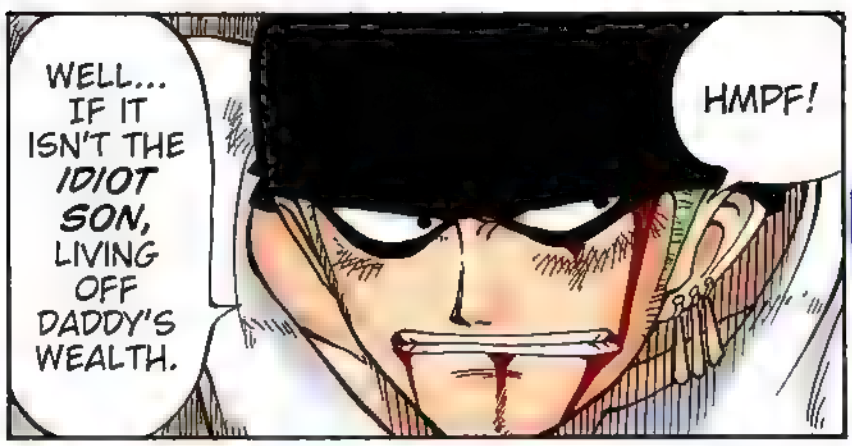
!
I'LL TELL DADDY ON YOU!
!
YOU SHOULDN'T PICK ON LITTLE GIRLS.
RORONOA ZORO!!!


HE MUST BE SOME HIGH RANKING MARINE OFFICER.
NOW THAT LITTLE GIRL WILL BE SAFE.
WHO'S THAT WEIRDO?


WELL... IF IT ISN'T THE IDIOT SON, LIVING OFF DADDY'S WEALTH.
HMPF!

DID YOU JUST CALL ME AN "IDIOT"?
WATCH IT!! ARE YOU FORGETTING CAPTAIN MORGAN IS MY DADDY?!!

SON OF A MARINE CAPTAIN HELMEPPO
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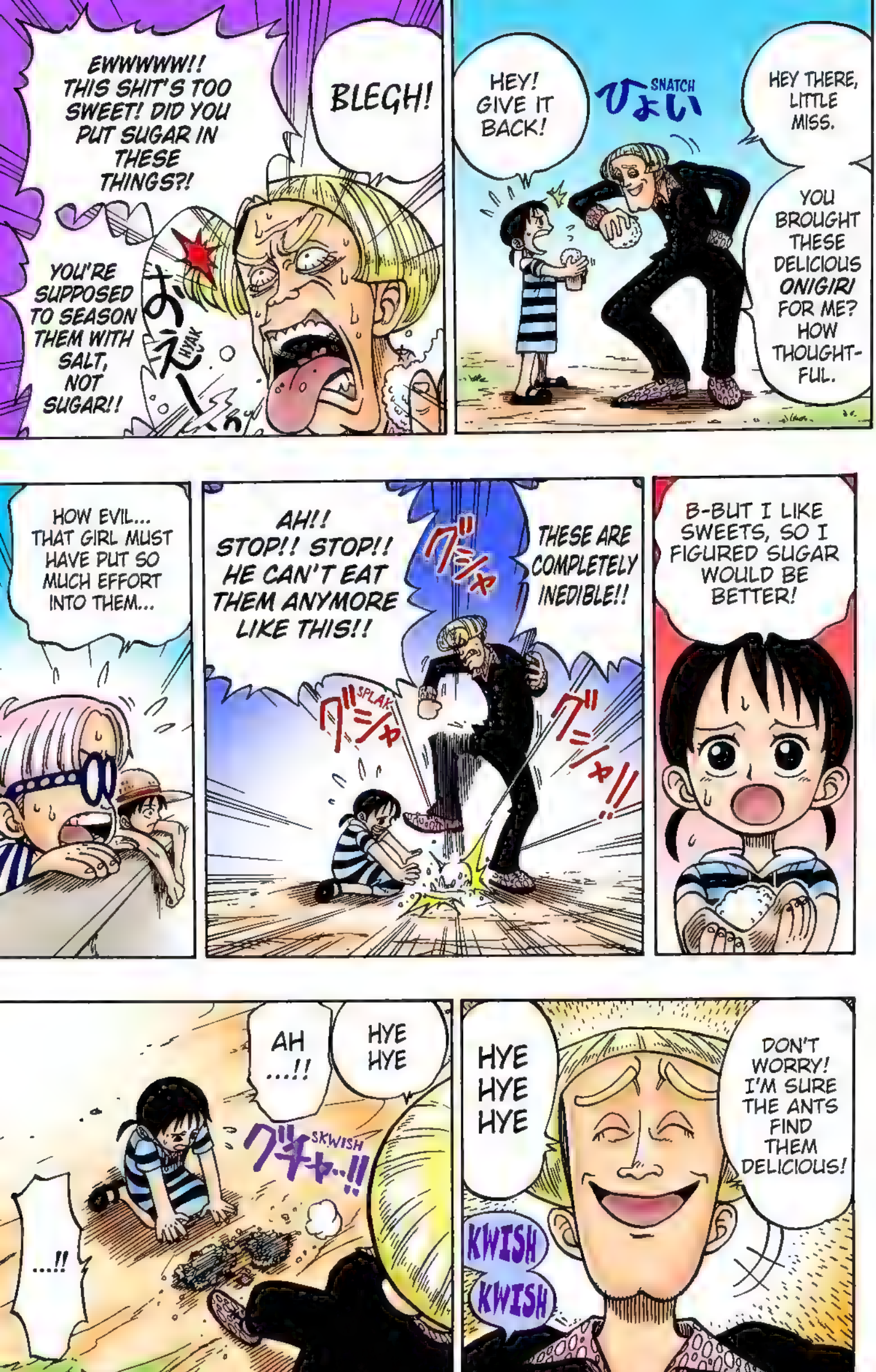
DON


EWWWWW!! THIS SHIT'S TOO SWEET! DID YOU PUT SUGAR IN THESE THINGS?!
BLEGH!
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SEASON THEM WITH SALT, NOT SUGAR!!
おえー
HYAK
HEY! GIVE IT BACK!
ひょい
SNATCH
HEY THERE, LITTLE MISS.
YOU BROUGHT THESE DELICIOUS ONIGIRI FOR ME? HOW THOUGHT-FUL.
HOW EVIL... THAT GIRL MUST HAVE PUT SO MUCH EFFORT INTO THEM...
AH!! STOP!! STOP!! HE CAN'T EAT THEM ANYMORE LIKE THIS!!
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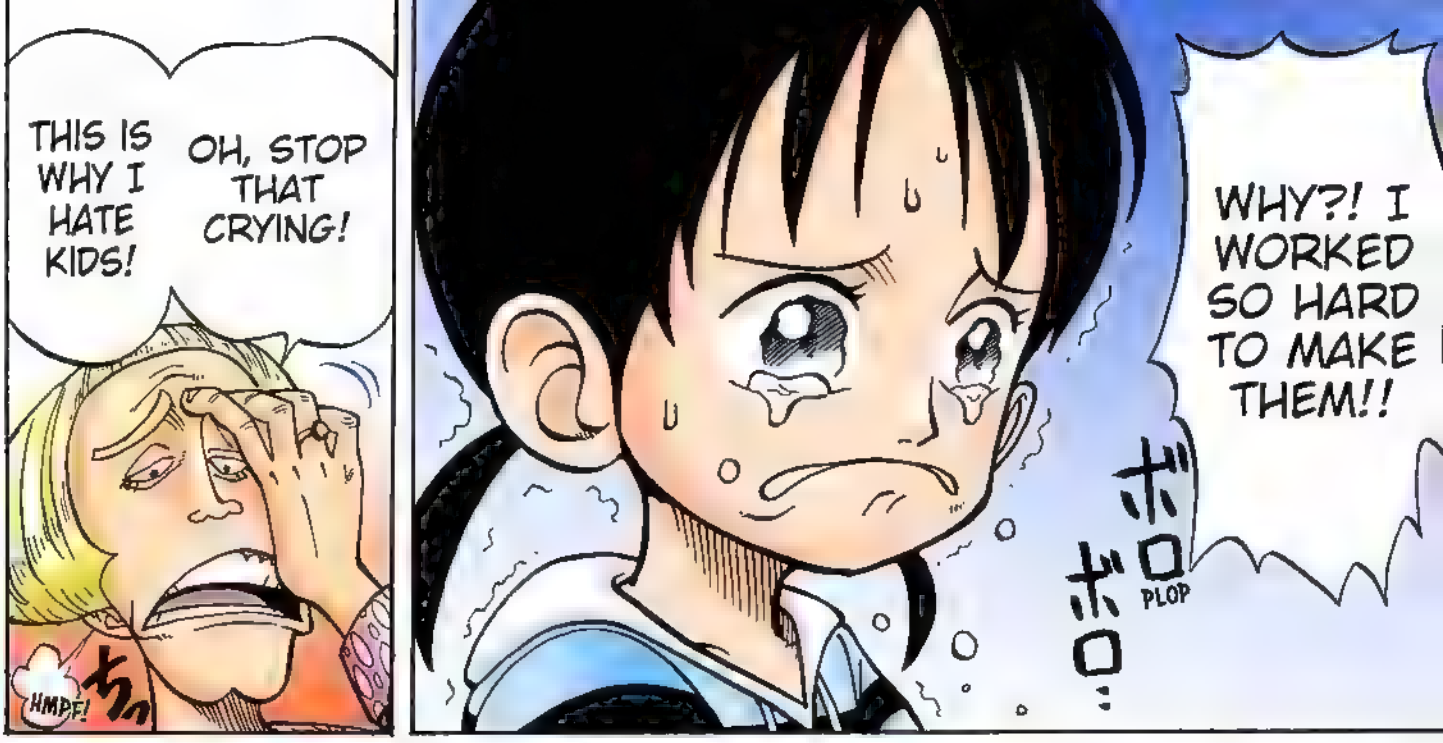
THESE ARE COMPLETELY INEDIBLE!!
SPLAK
グニャ
グニャ!!
B-BUT I LIKE SWEETS, SO I FIGURED SUGAR WOULD BE BETTER!
AH ...!!
HYE HYE
グチャ..!!
SKWISH
...!!
HYE HYE HYE
KWISH KWISH
DON'T WORRY! I'M SURE THE ANTS FIND THEM DELICIOUS!


THIS IS WHY I HATE KIDS!
OH, STOP THAT CRYING!
HMPF!
WHY?! I WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE THEM!!
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PLOP
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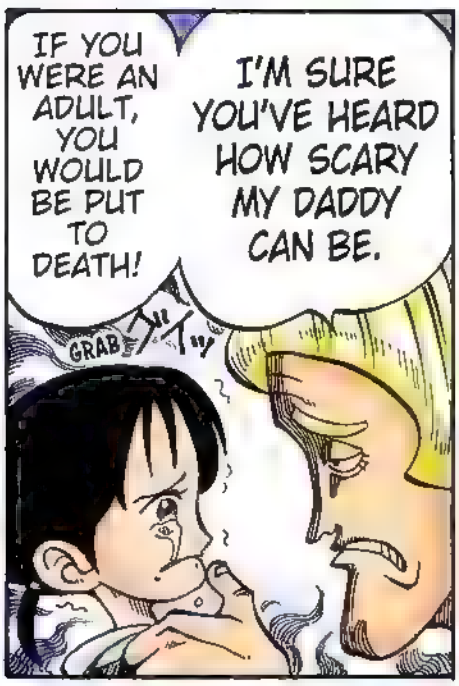
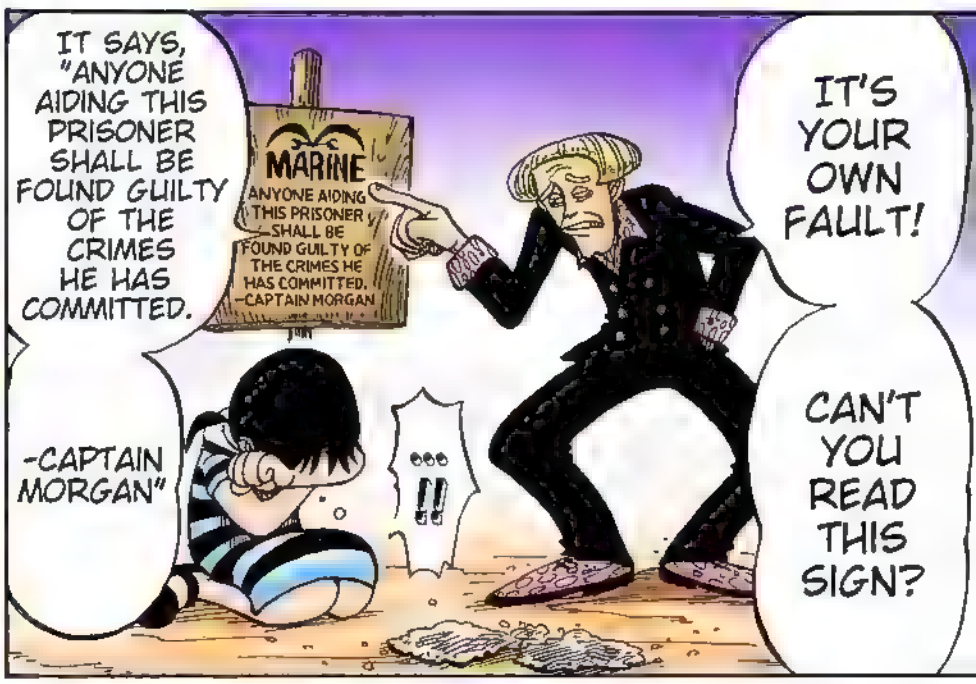
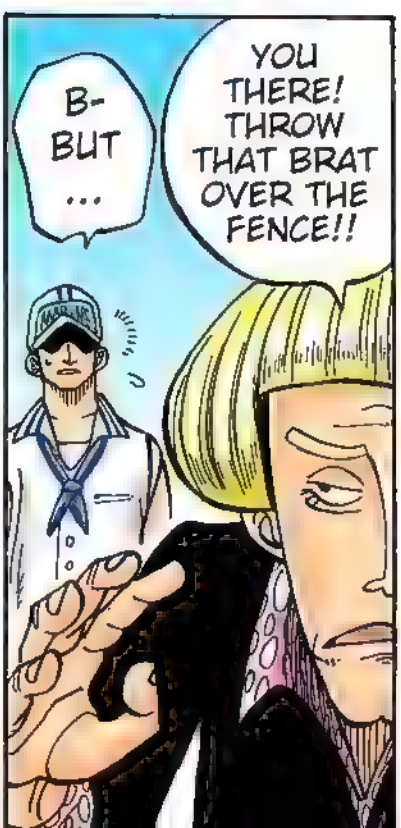
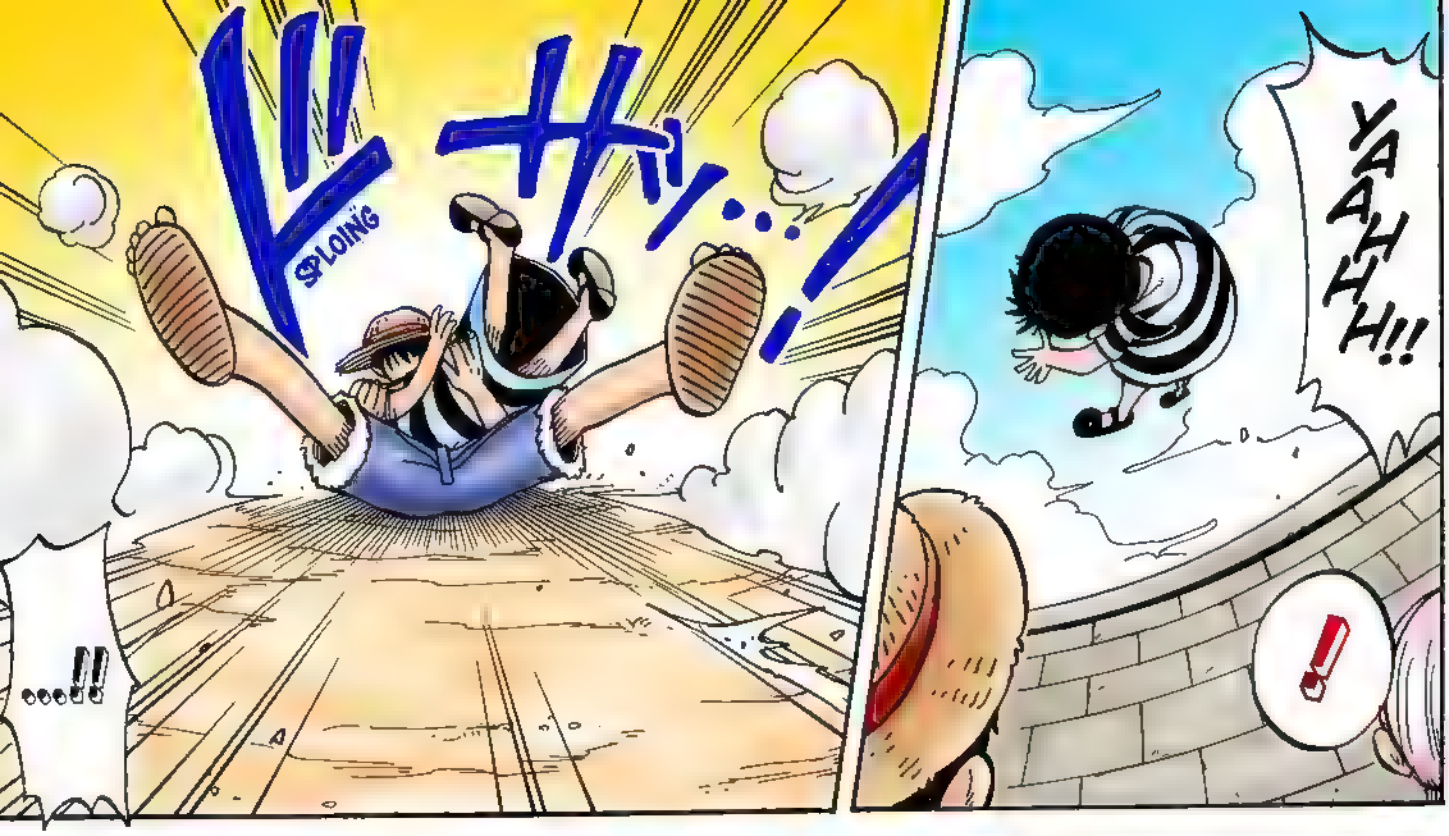

IF YOU WERE AN ADULT, YOU WOULD BE PUT TO DEATH!
I'M SURE YOU'VE HEARD HOW SCARY MY DADDY CAN BE.
GRAB


IT SAYS, "ANYONE AIDING THIS PRISONER SHALL BE FOUND GUILTY OF THE CRIMES HE HAS COMMITTED.
-CAPTAIN MORGAN"
MARINE
ANYONE AIDING THIS PRISONER SHALL BE FOUND GUILTY OF THE CRIMES HE HAS COMMITTED.
-CAPTAIN MORGAN
!!
IT'S YOUR OWN FAULT!
CAN'T YOU READ THIS SIGN?

I'LL TELL DADDY ON YOU!
Y-YES SIR... RIGHT AWAY!!
I'M ORDERING YOU TO THROW THAT LITTLE BRAT OVER THE FENCE!
ARE YOU GOING TO DISOBEY A DIRECT ORDER?!


B-BUT ...
YOU THERE! THROW THAT BRAT OVER THE FENCE!!


SPLOING
...!!
YAAHH!!
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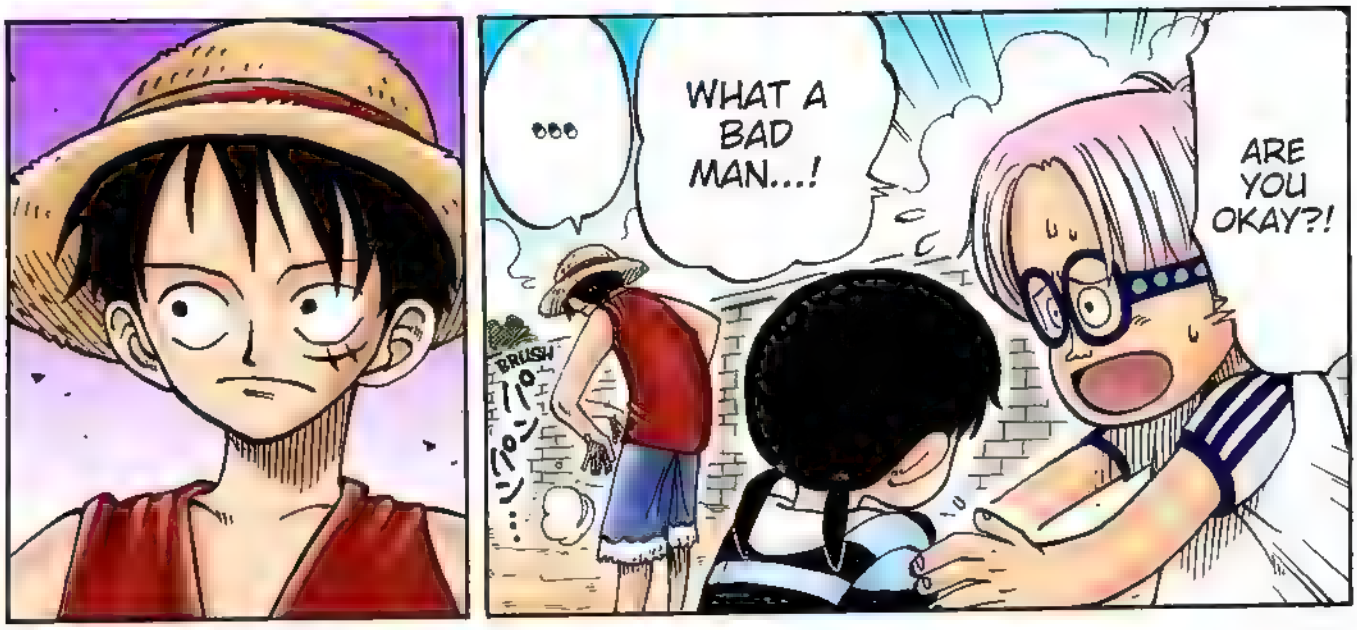
...
WHAT A BAD MAN...!
ARE YOU OKAY?!
BRUSH
パン パン パン...

IF YOU SURVIVE OUT HERE FOR A MONTH, THEN I'LL LET YOU GO!!
HYE HYE HYE! OF COURSE!!
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HYE HYE
GIVE IT YOUR BEST!
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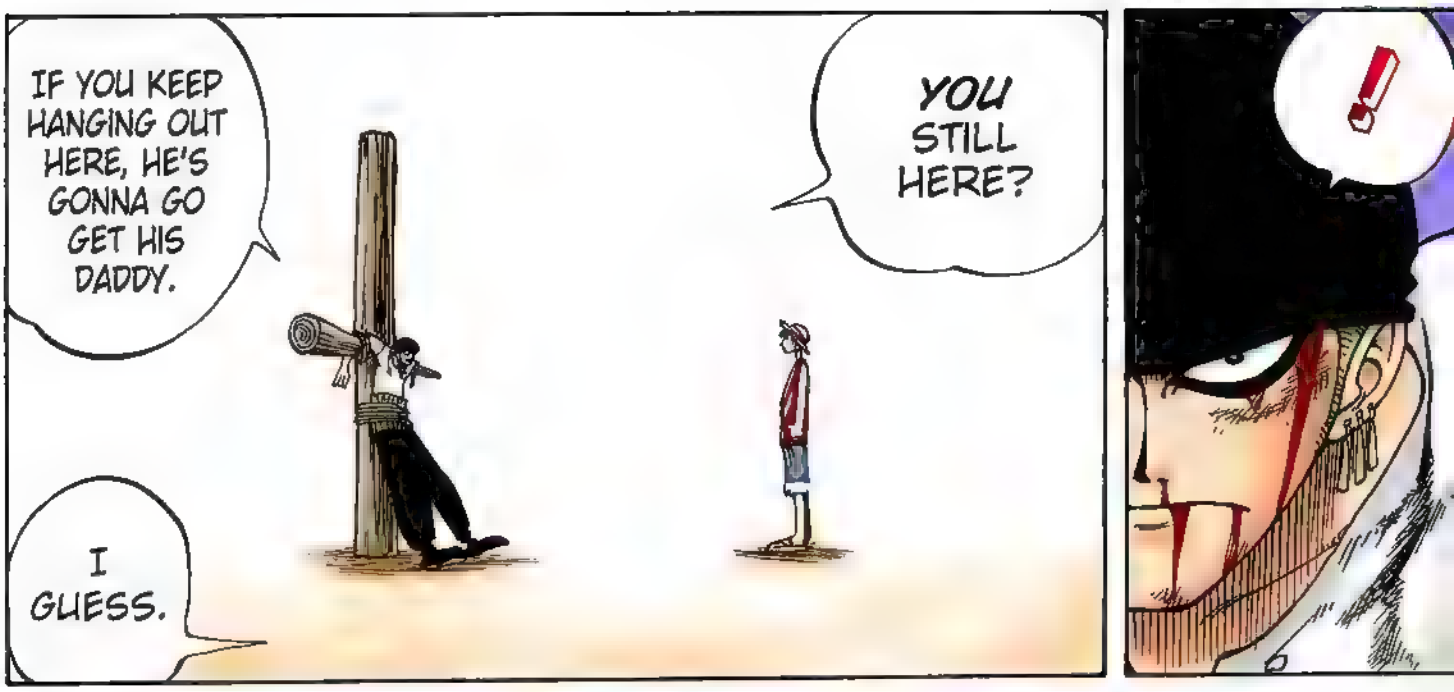
スタ...
SHUF
MY, AREN'T YOU A STUBBORN ONE!
SO YOU BETTER KEEP YOUR PROMISE!
THAT'S RIGHT, I'M GONNA LAST OUT THE ENTIRE MONTH!


IF YOU KEEP HANGING OUT HERE, HE'S GONNA GO GET HIS DADDY.
I GUESS.
YOU STILL HERE?
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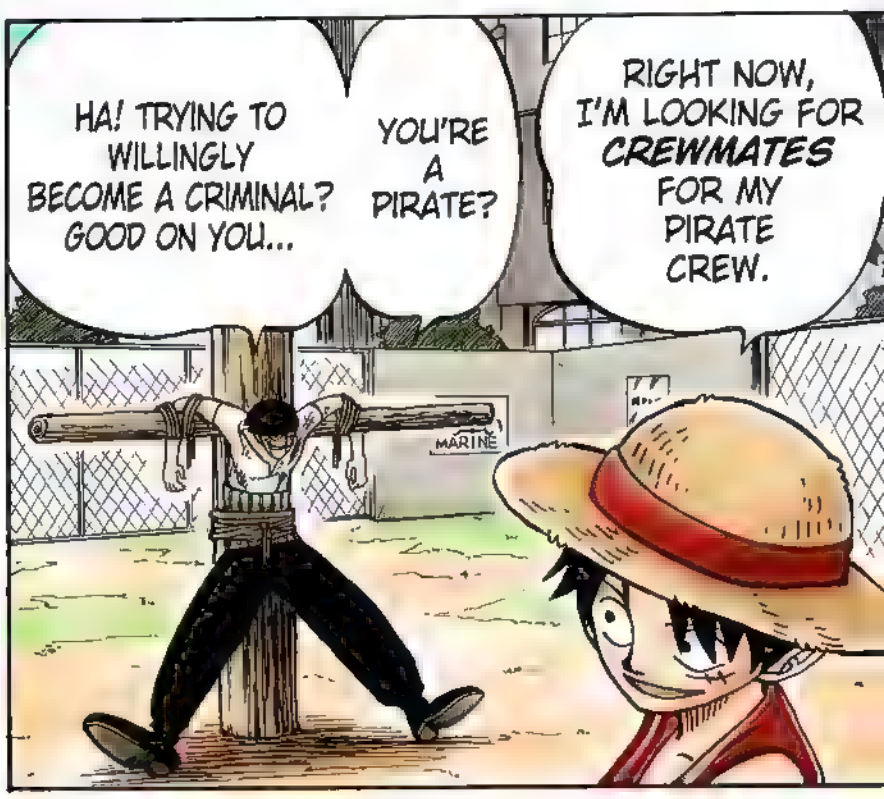
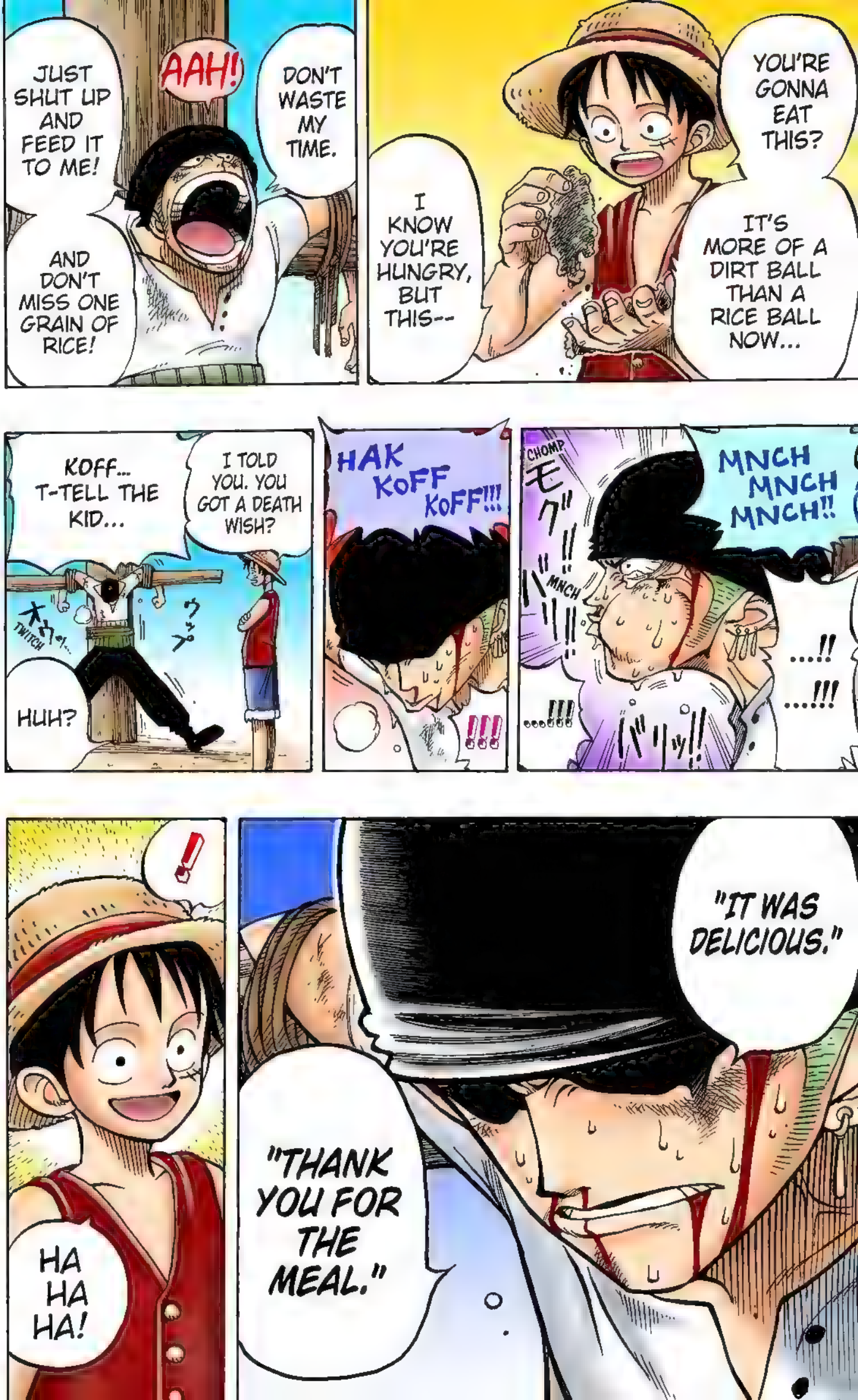
WHAT'S WRONG WITH WANTING TO BECOME A PIRATE?!
I'M A PIRATE OF MY OWN WILL!


HA! TRYING TO WILLINGLY BECOME A CRIMINAL? GOOD ON YOU...
YOU'RE A PIRATE?
RIGHT NOW, I'M LOOKING FOR CREWMATES FOR MY PIRATE CREW.
MARINE

WORD HAS IT THAT YOU'RE A PRETTY BAD GUY.
I HAVEN'T DECIDED IF I'LL ASK YOU YET...

...AND? SURELY YOU AREN'T GOING TO ASK ME...
...TO JOIN YOU IN EXCHANGE FOR FREEING ME?

ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LAST FOR A MONTH HERE, THEN I'M A FREE MAN!
I DON'T NEED YOUR HELP. I CAN GET OUT OF HERE ON MY OWN.
CAPTAIN MORGAN'S IDIOT SON PROMISED ME.
WELL ANYWAY, I DON'T GO FOR THAT KIND OF DEAL.
THERE'S SOMETHING I'M AFTER MYSELF.
BAD REPUTA-TION, HUH?
THEN I'LL BE FREE TO PURSUE MY TRUE OBJEC-TIVE!!
NO MATTER WHAT COMES OR HAPPENS, I WILL LIVE.
HUH?
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE ...
SO GO LOOK FOR A CREW ELSEWHERE...
YOU AND I ARE DIFFERENT. I'VE GOT MORE WILLPOWER.
HMM... I SEE.
PICK UP THOSE ONIGIRI FOR ME, WILL YA.
I DON'T THINK I COULD LAST ONE WEEK WITHOUT FOOD.


JUST SHUT UP AND FEED IT TO ME!
AAH!
DON'T WASTE MY TIME.
AND DON'T MISS ONE GRAIN OF RICE!
I KNOW YOU'RE HUNGRY, BUT THIS--
YOU'RE GONNA EAT THIS?
IT'S MORE OF A DIRT BALL THAN A RICE BALL NOW...
KOFF... T-TELL THE KID...
I TOLD YOU. YOU GOT A DEATH WISH?
TWITCH
HUH?
HAK KOFF KOFF!!!
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CHOMP
MNCH MNCH MNCH!!
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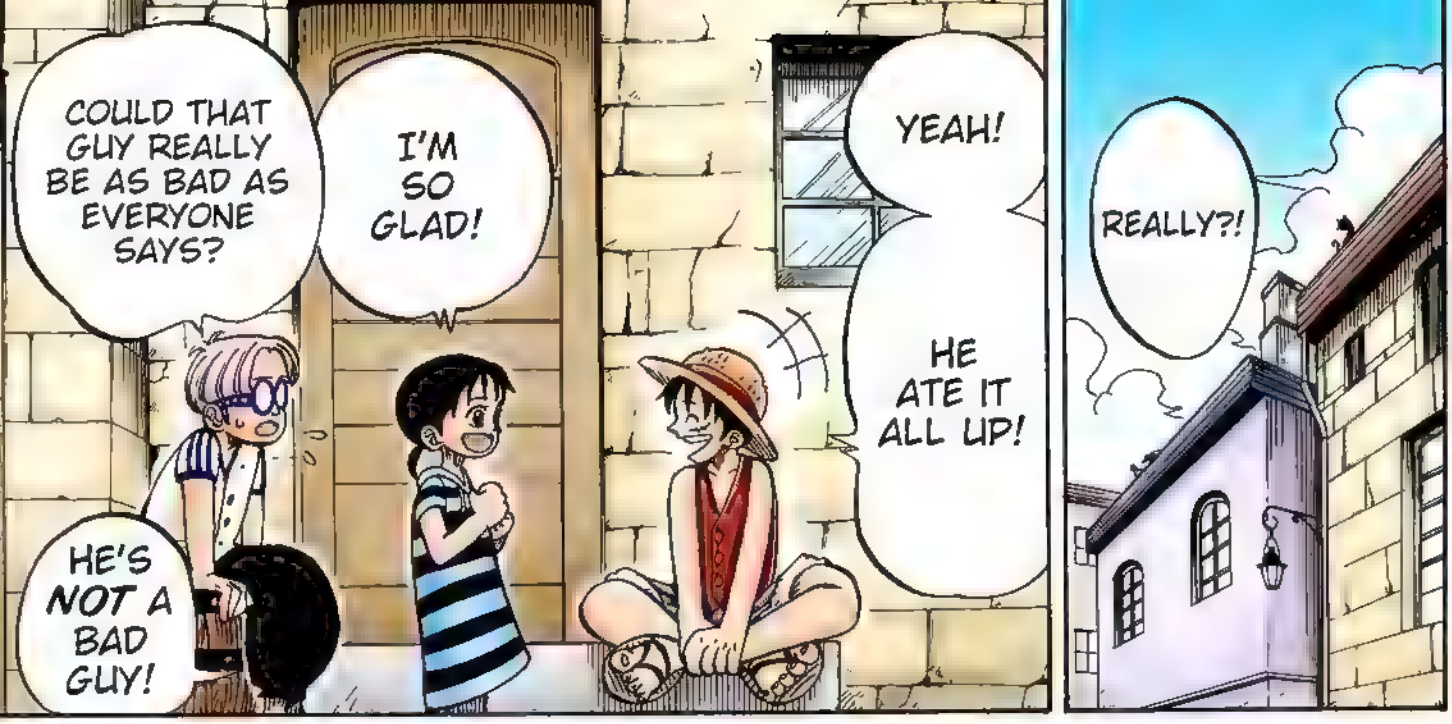
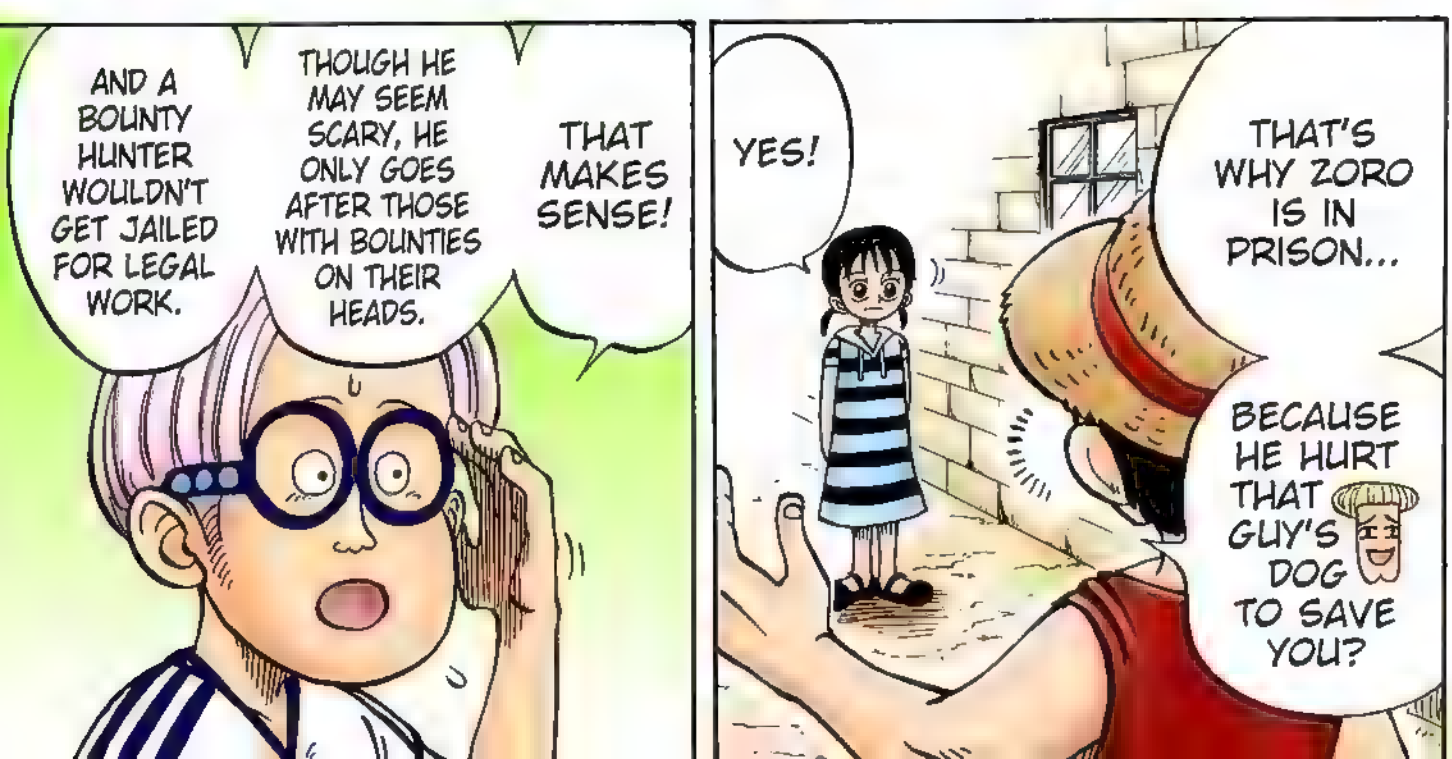
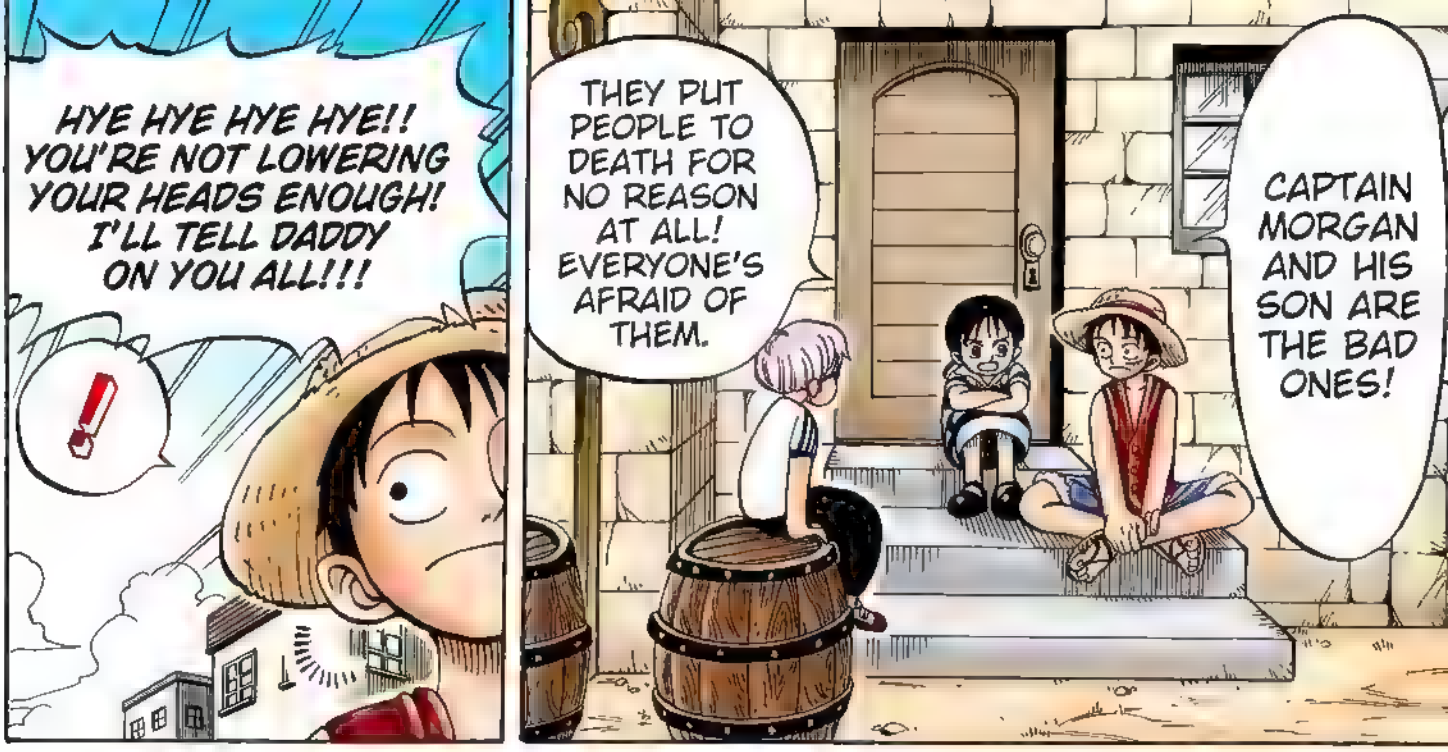
HA HA HA!
"THANK YOU FOR THE MEAL."
"IT WAS DELICIOUS."


COULD THAT GUY REALLY BE AS BAD AS EVERYONE SAYS?
I'M SO GLAD!
HE'S NOT A BAD GUY!
YEAH!
HE ATE IT ALL UP!
REALLY?!

HIS PET KEPT PUTTING EVERYONE IN DANGER, BUT MISTER CUT HIM DOWN..!!
CAPTAIN MORGAN'S SON HAD A PET WOLF WHO WAS REALLY VIOLENT...
HE GOT THROWN IN PRISON BECAUSE HE HELPED ME.
BUT HE HASN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG!
EVERYBODY IN TOWN IS AFRAID OF HIM...


AND A BOUNTY HUNTER WOULDN'T GET JAILED FOR LEGAL WORK.
THOUGH HE MAY SEEM SCARY, HE ONLY GOES AFTER THOSE WITH BOUNTIES ON THEIR HEADS.
THAT MAKES SENSE!
YES!
THAT'S WHY ZORO IS IN PRISON...
BECAUSE HE HURT THAT GUY'S DOG TO SAVE YOU?


HYE HYE HYE HYE!! YOU'RE NOT LOWERING YOUR HEADS ENOUGH! I'LL TELL DADDY ON YOU ALL!!!
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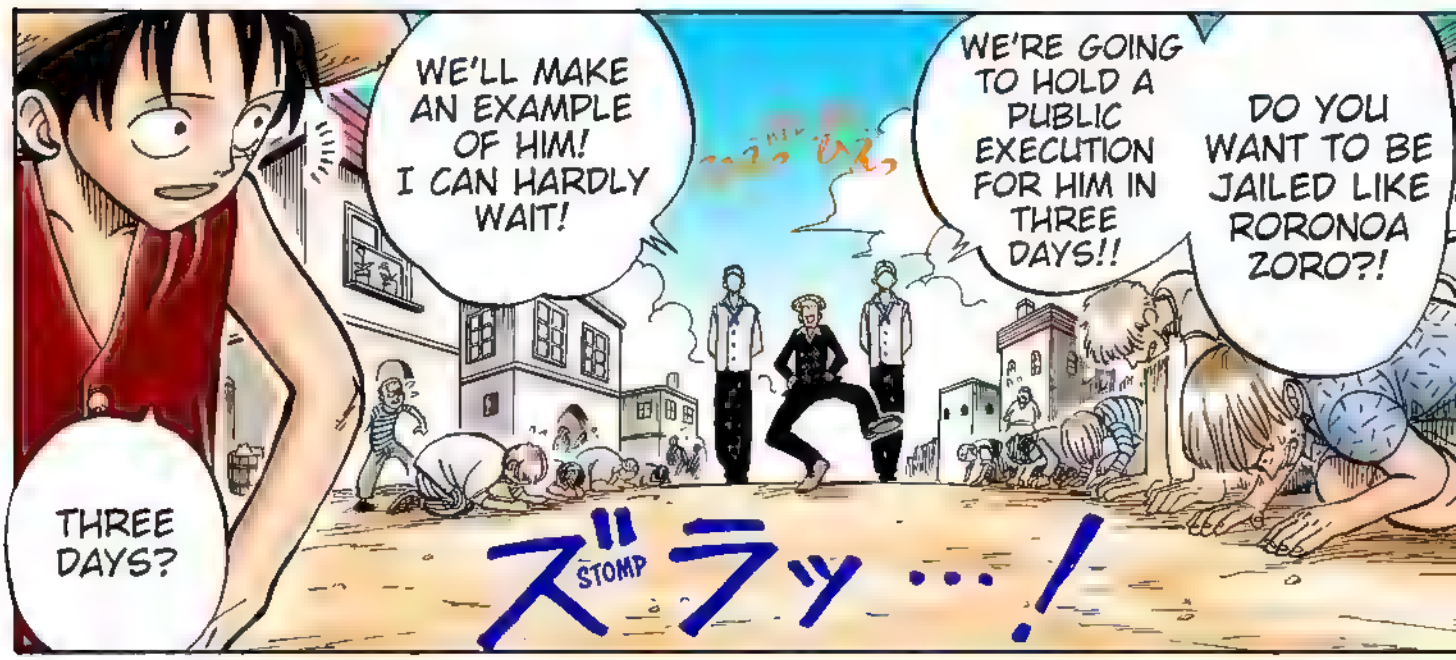
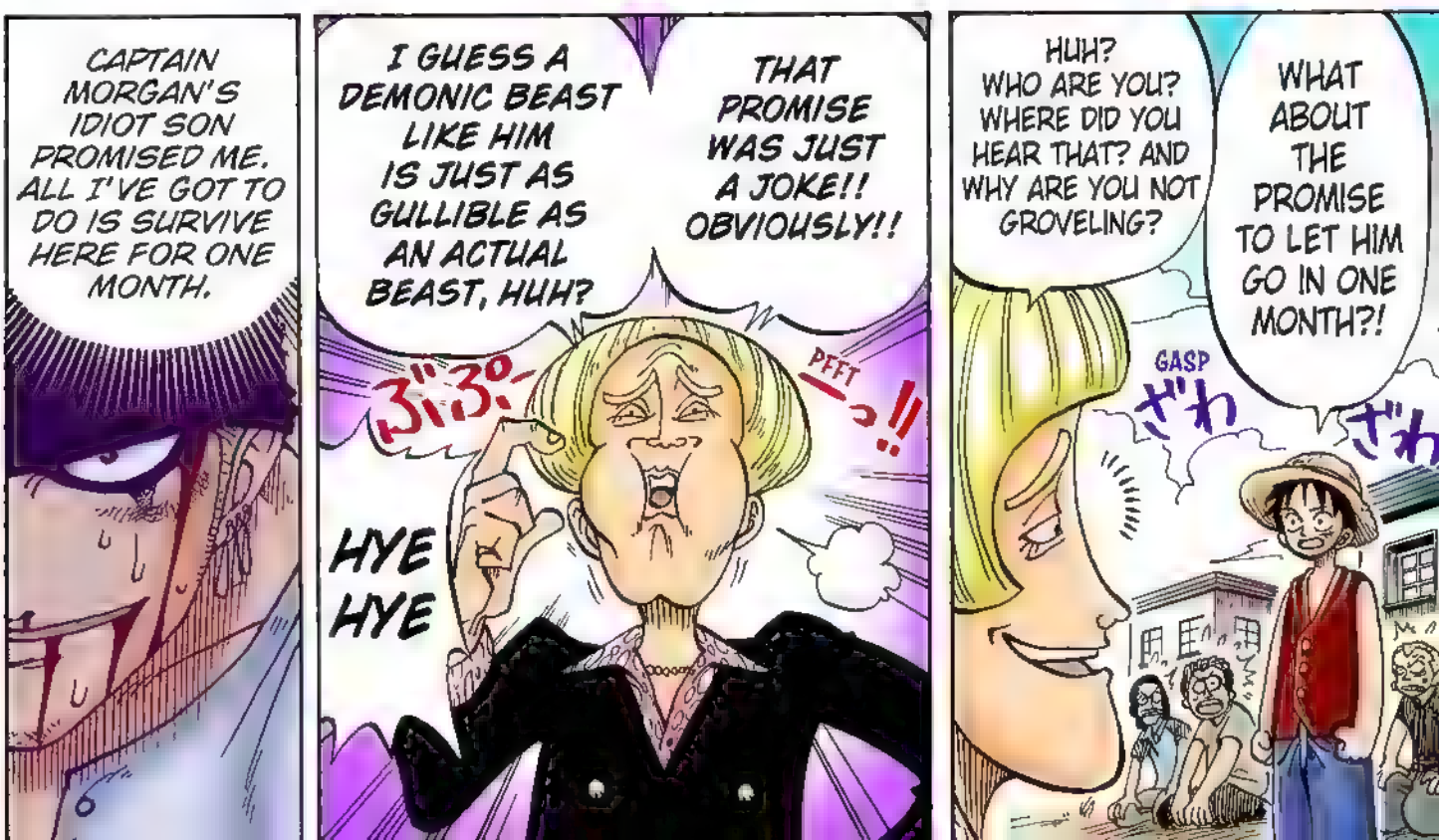
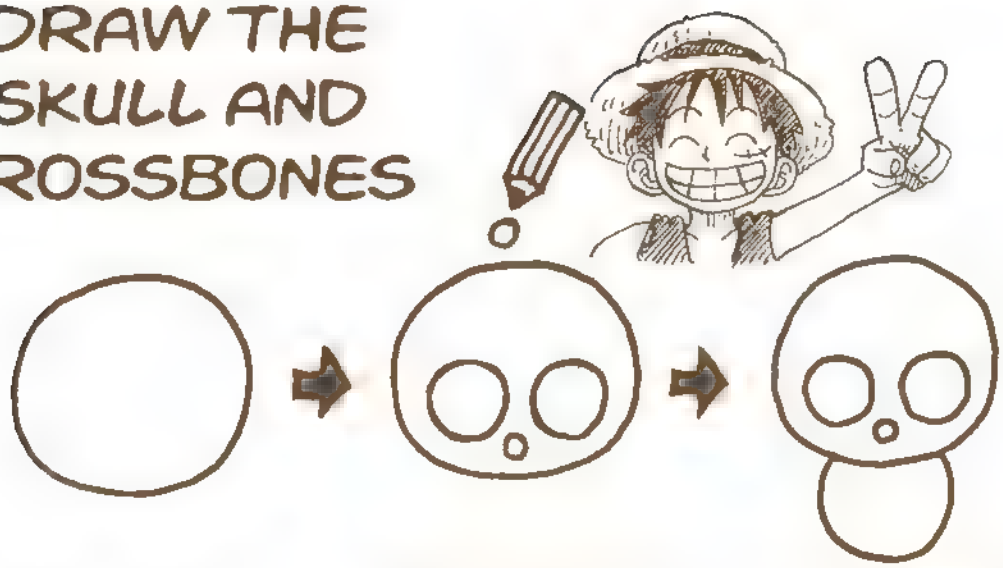
THEY PUT PEOPLE TO DEATH FOR NO REASON AT ALL! EVERYONE'S AFRAID OF THEM.
CAPTAIN MORGAN AND HIS SON ARE THE BAD ONES!


WE'LL MAKE AN EXAMPLE OF HIM! I CAN HARDLY WAIT!
WE'RE GOING TO HOLD A PUBLIC EXECUTION FOR HIM IN THREE DAYS!!
DO YOU WANT TO BE JAILED LIKE RORONOA ZORO?!
THREE DAYS?
STOMP ズラッ…!


CAPTAIN MORGAN'S IDIOT SON PROMISED ME. ALL I'VE GOT TO DO IS SURVIVE HERE FOR ONE MONTH.
I GUESS A DEMONIC BEAST LIKE HIM IS JUST AS GULLIBLE AS AN ACTUAL BEAST, HUH?
THAT PROMISE WAS JUST A JOKE!! OBVIOUSLY!!
ぶるるっ
PFFT
HYE HYE
HUH? WHO ARE YOU? WHERE DID YOU HEAR THAT? AND WHY ARE YOU NOT GROVELING?
WHAT ABOUT THE PROMISE TO LET HIM GO IN ONE MONTH?!
GASP
ざわ
ざわ

AAA AH!!!
!!!!
AAAH
WHAM
KOBY, I'VE MADE MY DECISION!
WAAA
HUH?
I'M ASKING ZORO TO BE MY CREW-MATE!!!
STOP! CALM DOWN!!
THAT GUY IS SCUM!
MR. LUFFY!!
DO YOU WANT TO MAKE AN ENEMY OUT OF THE MARINES?!
WAAAH

HOW TO DRAW THE SKULL AND CROSSBONES



1. DRAW A CIRCLE.

2. DRAW THREE CIRCLES INSIDE THE CIRCLE.

3. DRAW ANOTHER CIRCLE BELOW THE FIRST CIRCLE.

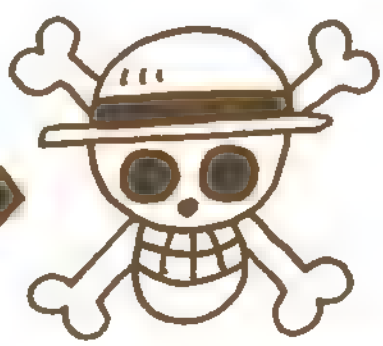
4. DRAW TWO LINES ACROSS THE LOWER CIRCLE.

5. DRAW THREE VERTICAL LINES ALONG THE HORIZONTAL LINES.

6. DRAW BONES BEHIND THE SKULL.

7. AND YOU'RE FINISHED! WHAT!? WAIT A MINUTE...

8. AND YOU'RE FINISHED!



9. AND IF YOU DRAW A STRAW HAT ON IT, YOU GET LUFFY'S FLAG!

GASP
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CAPTAIN MORGAN WILL BE FURIOUS!
HE PUNCHED THE CAPTAIN'S SON!
H-HE REALLY DID IT!!
NO ONE HAS EVER HIT ME! NOT EVEN DADDY!
Y-YOU HIT ME! YOU ACTUALLY HIT ME!
SCUM IS SCUM... NO MATTER WHO ITS FATHER IS!
MR. LUFFY! STOP! ARE YOU TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT WITH THE ENTIRE MARINE MILITARY?!
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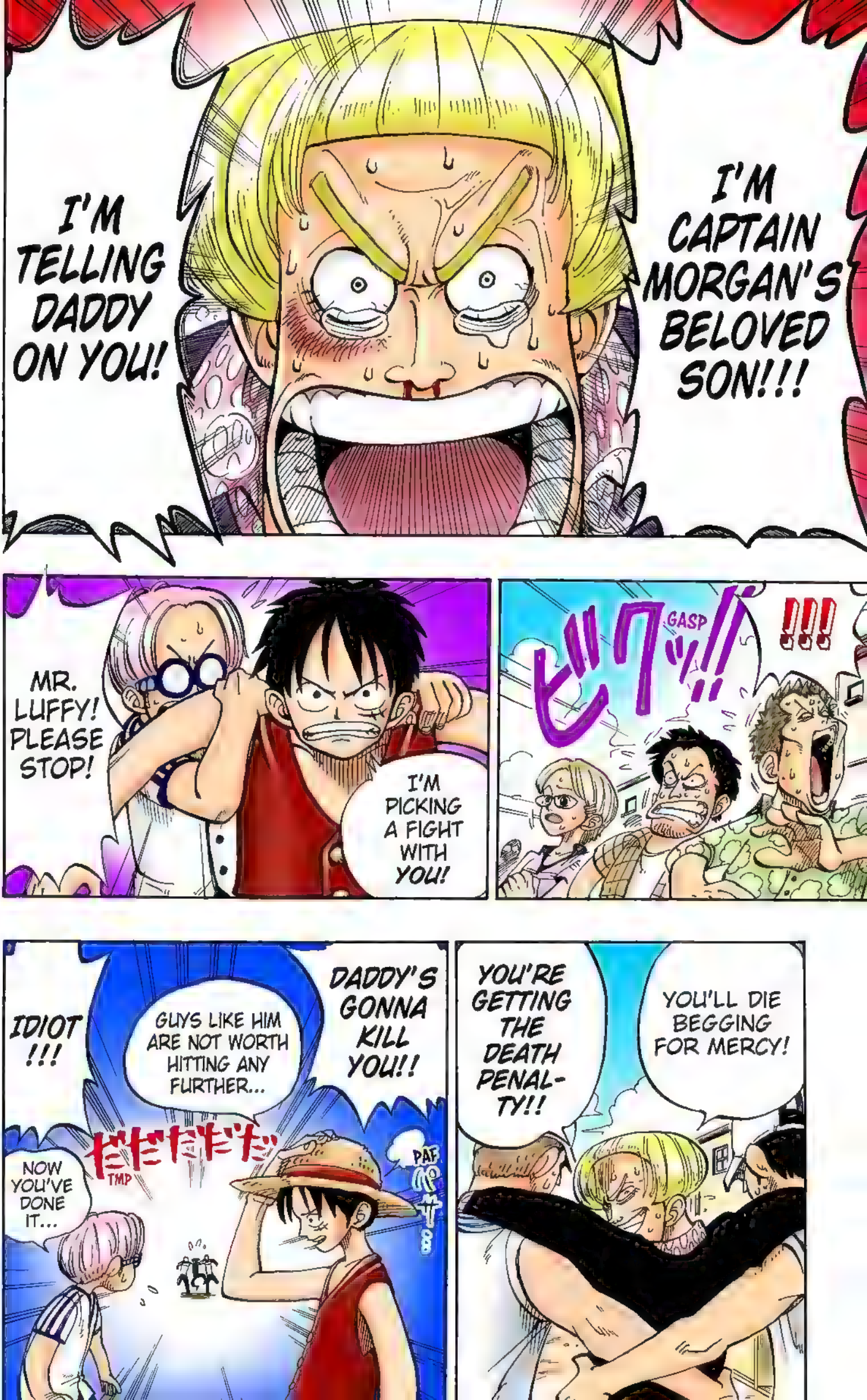
GYAA
MARINE

Chapter 4:
MARINE CAPTAIN "AXE-HAND" MORGAN


I'M TELLING DADDY ON YOU!
I'M CAPTAIN MORGAN'S BELOVED SON!!!
MR. LUFFY! PLEASE STOP!
I'M PICKING A FIGHT WITH YOU!
GASP
!!!
IDIOT !!!
GUYS LIKE HIM ARE NOT WORTH HITTING ANY FURTHER...
DADDY'S GONNA KILL YOU!!
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TMP
PAF
NOW YOU'VE DONE IT...
YOU'RE GETTING THE DEATH PENAL-TY!!
YOU'LL DIE BEGGING FOR MERCY!

GET OVER HERE!!
RIKA !!
THEN I WISH I'D GIVEN HIM A FEW MORE WHACKS FOR YOU!
YOU'RE AMAZING, MISTER!
I FEEL A LOT BETTER NOW!
N-NO. I DIDN'T...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?! YOU DIDN'T GO TO THE PARADE GROUND, DID YOU?!
BUT, MOMMY, HE'S A GOOD MAN. AND ZORO, HE'S A GOOD--
IF THEY THINK YOU'RE HIS FRIEND, THEY'LL KILL YOU, TOO!!
YOU SHOULDN'T BE TALKING TO THAT PERSON!
SLAM
バタン
...
YEAH, WHATEVER. I NEED TO TALK TO ZORO.
NOW THAT YOU'VE UPSET A MARINE CAPTAIN, THEY'LL SURELY SEND OTHER TROOPS TOO...!!!
THEY WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY WITH THIS!
あああああ AAAAA
バタン...
HURRY UP, LET'S GET INSIDE...

PHOO...

MARINE BASE, MAIN BUILDING

MARINE

DON

...AM GREAT.

I...

...I BELIEVE THE TOWNS-PEOPLE ARE NOW TOO POOR TO RAISE--

YESSIR, ABOUT YOUR TRIBUTES ...

AND YET IN SPITE OF THAT, THE TOWNS-PEOPLE'S *TRIBUTE*...

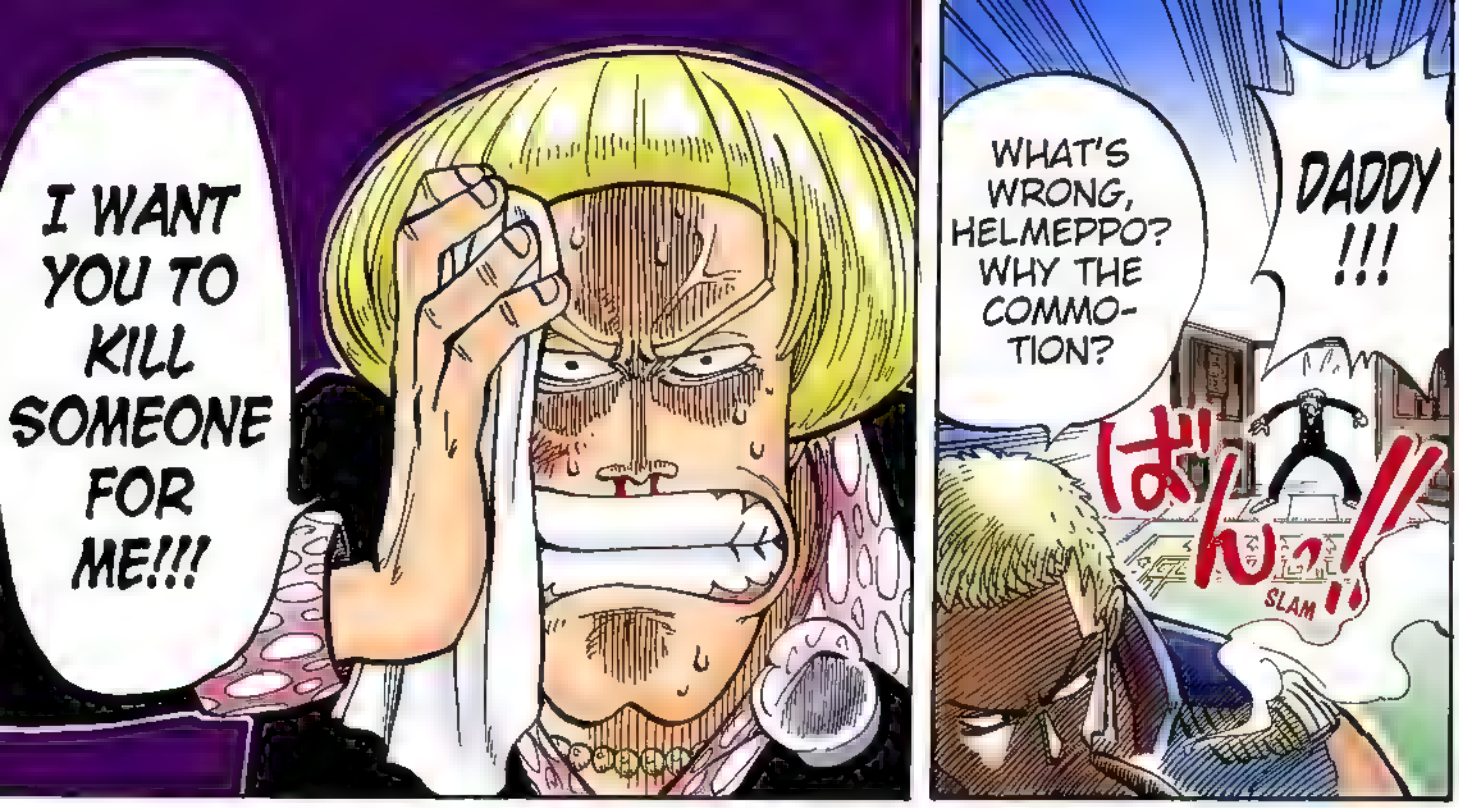
YOU CERTAINLY ARE, SIR! YOU'RE THE GREAT CAPTAIN MORGAN, SIR!

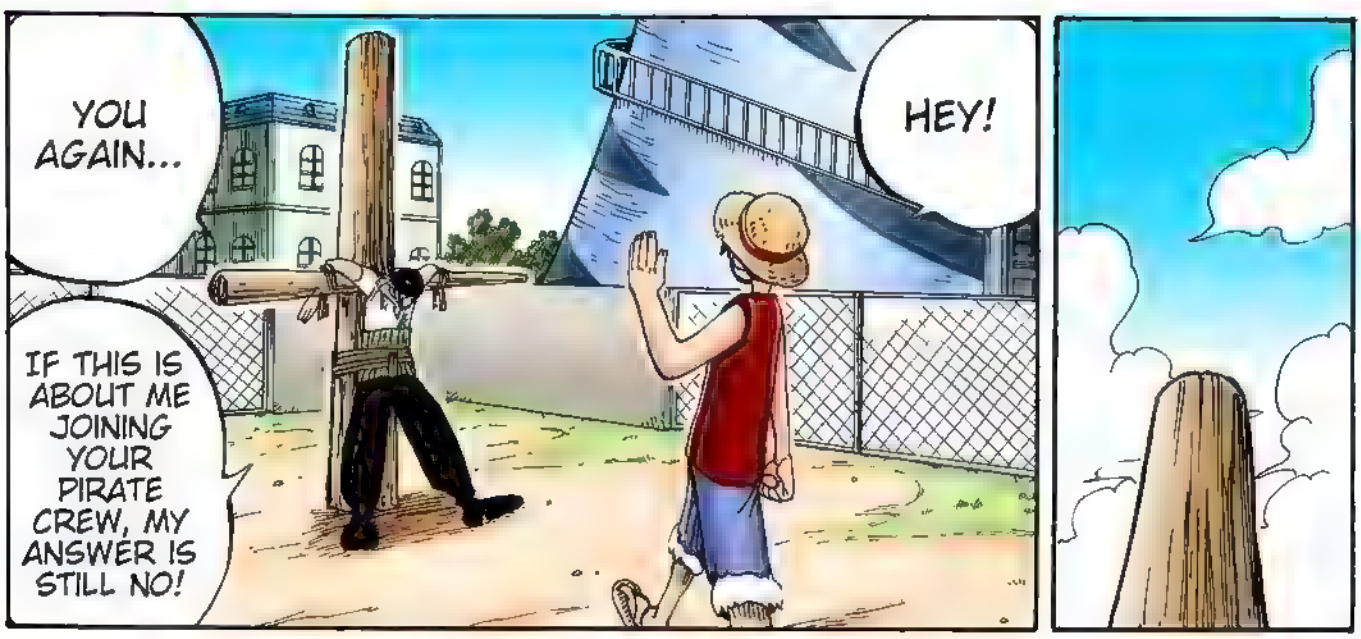
YES SIR!

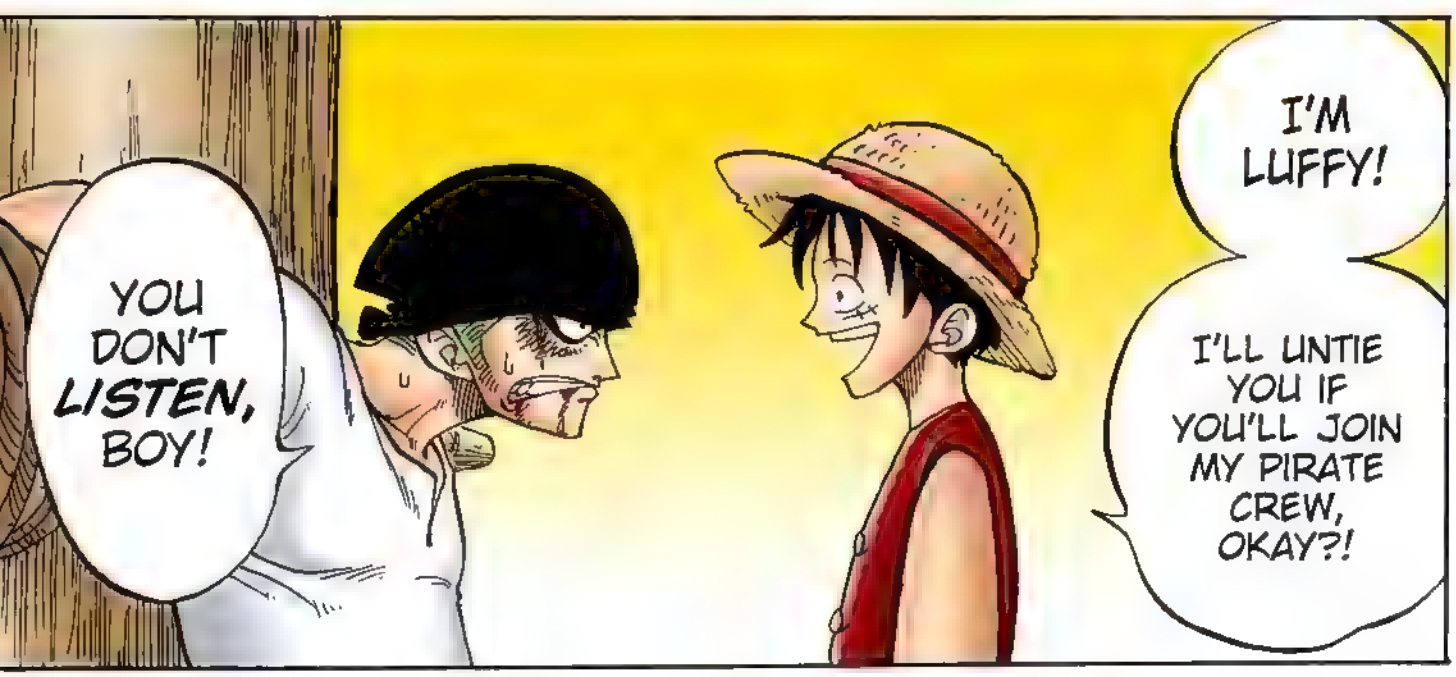
...HAS DIMINISHED. OR AM I WRONG?

IT'S A QUESTION OF THEIR RESPECT FOR ME!

IT'S NOT A *QUESTION* OF HOW MUCH THEY CAN PAY...


I WANT YOU TO KILL SOMEONE FOR ME!!!
WHAT'S WRONG, HELMEPPO? WHY THE COMMO-TION?
DADDY !!!
ばん!!
SLAM


YOU AGAIN...
IF THIS IS ABOUT ME JOINING YOUR PIRATE CREW, MY ANSWER IS STILL NO!
HEY!


YOU DON'T LISTEN, BOY!
I'M LUFFY!
I'LL UNTIE YOU IF YOU'LL JOIN MY PIRATE CREW, OKAY?!

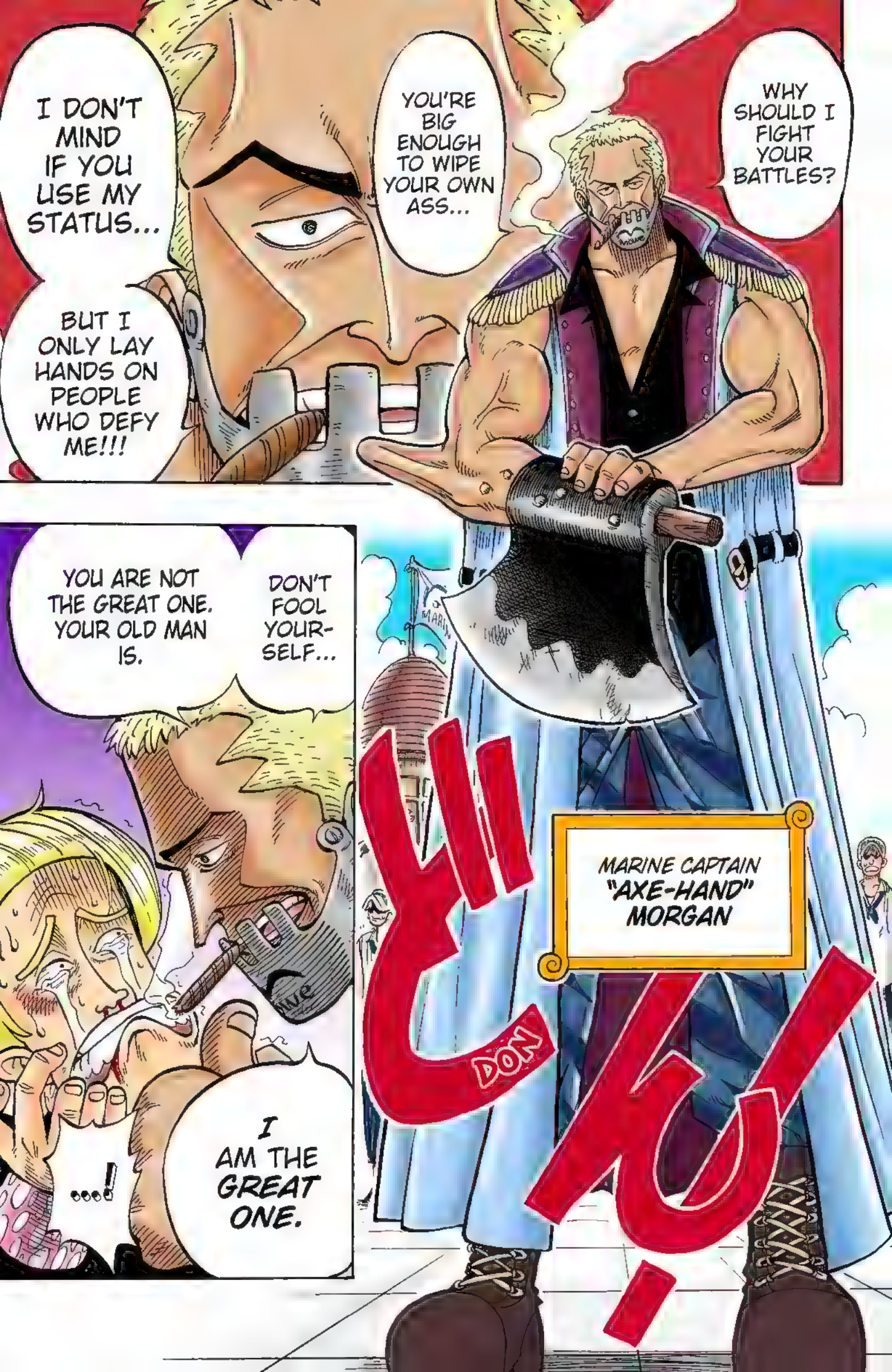
YOU'RE TALKING LIKE YOU'RE ANY BETTER.
DON'T PEOPLE CALL YOU A BAD GUY WHO HUNTS DOWN OTHERS?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU THERE'S SOMETHING I'M AFTER?
WHO'D EVEN WANT TO WILLINGLY BECOME A PIRATE?
I LIVE BY MY OWN CODE... I'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING I REGRET, AND I DON'T INTEND TO IN THE FUTURE.
I DON'T CARE WHAT PEOPLE THINK.
HMPH! I WOULD, IF I WASN'T TIED HERE...
...!
I HEARD YOU CAN USE A SWORD!
WHICH IS WHY I'LL NEVER BE A PIRATE!!
...
WHERE DO I GET A SAY IN THIS?!!
I DON'T CARE! I'VE DECIDED, YOU'LL BE MY CREWMATE!!

TREASURE, HUH? MUST MEAN A LOT TO YOU!!
HMM...
NEXT TO MY LIFE, THEY'RE MY MOST DEAREST TREASURE!!
THE CAPTAIN'S IDIOT SON TOOK THEM FROM ME.
SO, WHERE'S YOUR SWORD NOW?
YOU LITTLE RAT!
...YOU'LL HAVE TO JOIN MY CREW!
THEN, IF YOU WANT IT BACK...
HA HA HA
はっはっは
WHAT?
I'LL GET YOUR SWORD BACK FROM THE IDIOT SON!
I KNOW!
HE'S GOING INTO THE FOR-TRESS...
IS HE AN IDIOT?!
SEE YA SOON!
HEY! COME BACK!!

STAND IT UP!
OKAY! STEADY!
MARINE

BECAUSE I'M YOUR BELOVED S--
DO YOU KNOW WHY I'VE NEVER HIT YOU?
I'LL TELL YOU WHY...
EVEN YOU NEVER LAID A HAND ON MY LOVELY YET MAS-CULINE FACE BE-FORE!
DADDY! WHY AREN'T YOU HUNTING THE BRIGAND WHO HIT ME?!

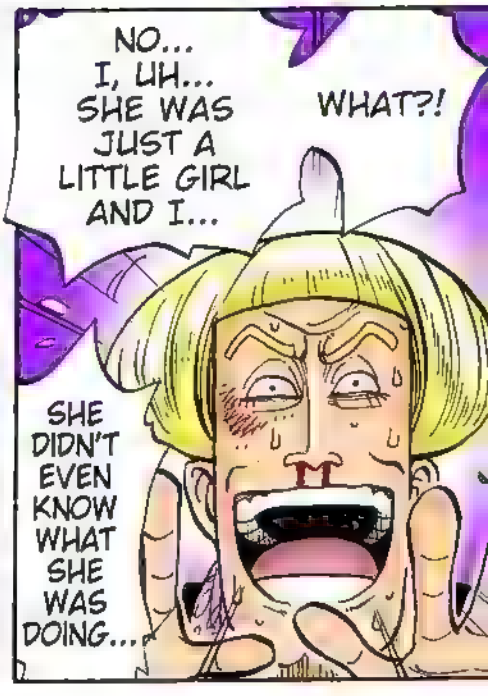
ARF !!??
KA-WHAM
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE AN IDIOT SON WHO'S NOT EVEN WORTH HITTING!!


I DON'T MIND IF YOU USE MY STATUS...
BUT I ONLY LAY HANDS ON PEOPLE WHO DEFY ME!!!
YOU'RE BIG ENOUGH TO WIPE YOUR OWN ASS...
WHY SHOULD I FIGHT YOUR BATTLES?
YOU ARE NOT THE GREAT ONE. YOUR OLD MAN IS.
DON'T FOOL YOURSELF...
...!
I AM THE GREAT ONE.
MARINE CAPTAIN "AXE-HAND" MORGAN
DON

YOU MADE SURE TO KILL HER, RIGHT?
Möwe

THE LITTLE GIRL?
I HEARD A LITTLE MOUSE SNUCK INTO MY PARADE GROUND.
I DEALT WITH HER. I--

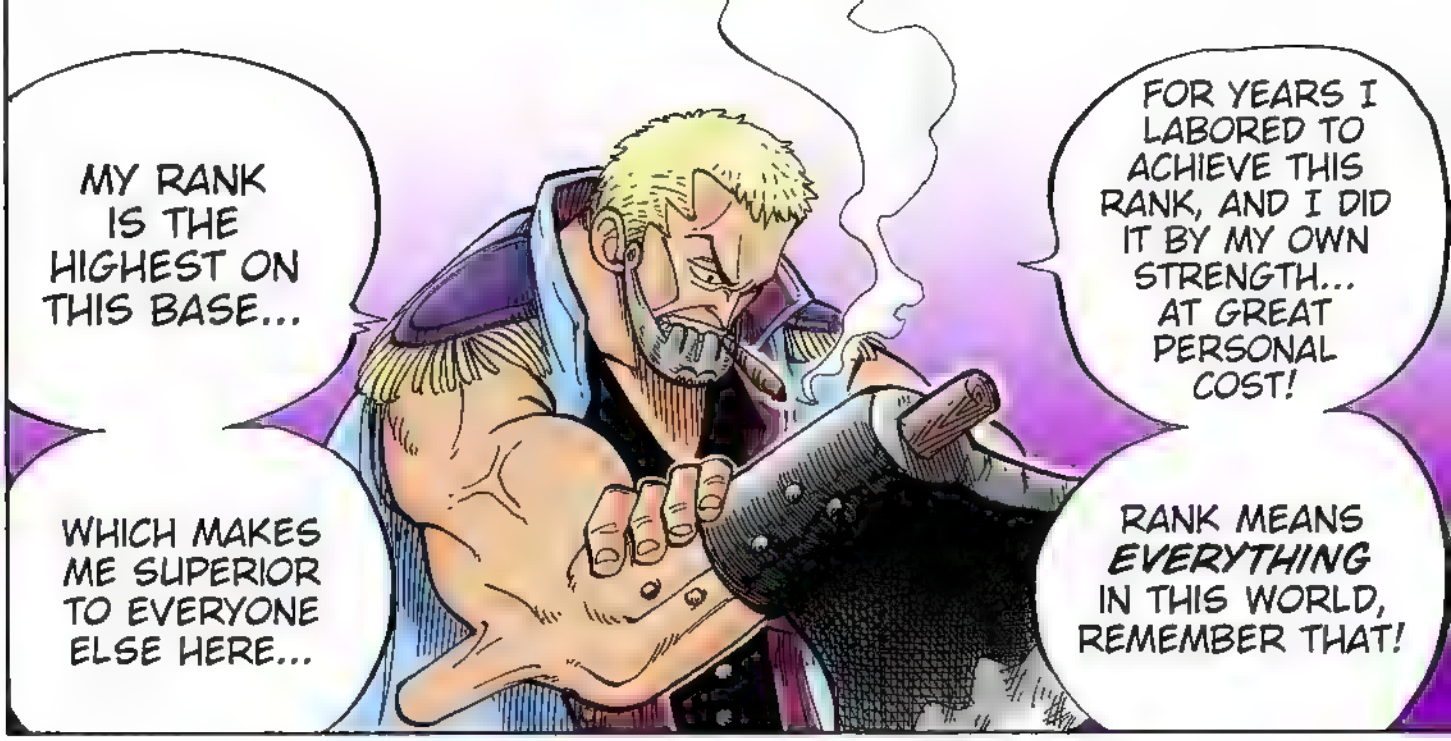
HUH?!
YOU. GO INTO TOWN AND KILL HER.
CHILD OR NOT, ANYONE WHO DEFIES ME MUST SUFFER THE PENALTY!

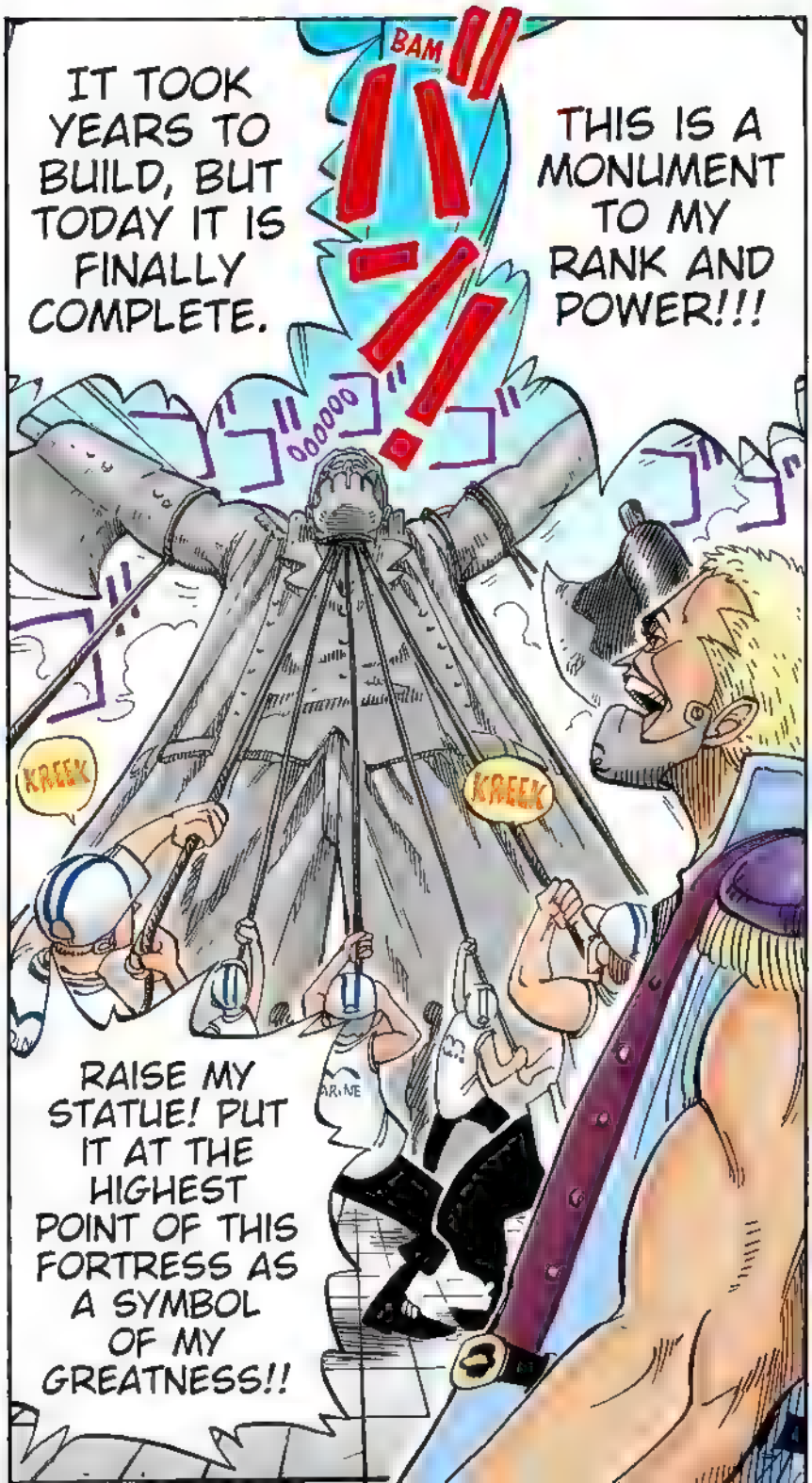

NO... I, UH... SHE WAS JUST A LITTLE GIRL AND I...
WHAT?!
SHE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHAT SHE WAS DOING...

AND CAPTAIN IS A GREATER RANK THAN LIEUTENANT. ...RIGHT?
YOU WOULDN'T? YOU, YOU'RE A MARINE LIEUTENANT. JUNIOR GRADE, RIGHT?
UH... YES SIR...
MARINE

I WOULDN'T OBEY SUCH A CRUEL ORDER!
BUT, CAPTAIN, SHE'S JUST A LITTLE GIRL...

I CAN'T!!
I...
IF I SAY KILL HER, THEN YOU WILL KILL HER!!
THEN YOU ARE DUTY-BOUND TO OBEY ME!!
AAAAAAA!!
FA-WAK
H!!-
THEN YOU TOO ARE A CRIMI-NAL!!
I'LL HANDLE IT PERSO-NALLY!
NO MATTER. THE TOWNS-FOLK MUST BE TAUGHT RESPECT.
LIEUTEN-ANT!!
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO...!!
GASP


MY RANK IS THE HIGHEST ON THIS BASE...
WHICH MAKES ME SUPERIOR TO EVERYONE ELSE HERE...
FOR YEARS I LABORED TO ACHIEVE THIS RANK, AND I DID IT BY MY OWN STRENGTH... AT GREAT PERSONAL COST!
RANK MEANS *EVERYTHING* IN THIS WORLD, REMEMBER THAT!


IT TOOK YEARS TO BUILD, BUT TODAY IT IS FINALLY COMPLETE.
BAM
THIS IS A MONUMENT TO MY RANK AND POWER!!!
KREEK
KREEK
RAISE MY STATUE! PUT IT AT THE HIGHEST POINT OF THIS FORTRESS AS A SYMBOL OF MY GREATNESS!!

THAT MEANS EVERYTHING I DO IS RIGHT!!!
IS THAT CLEAR?

YOU ARE THE GREATEST, SIR!
YES SIR!!
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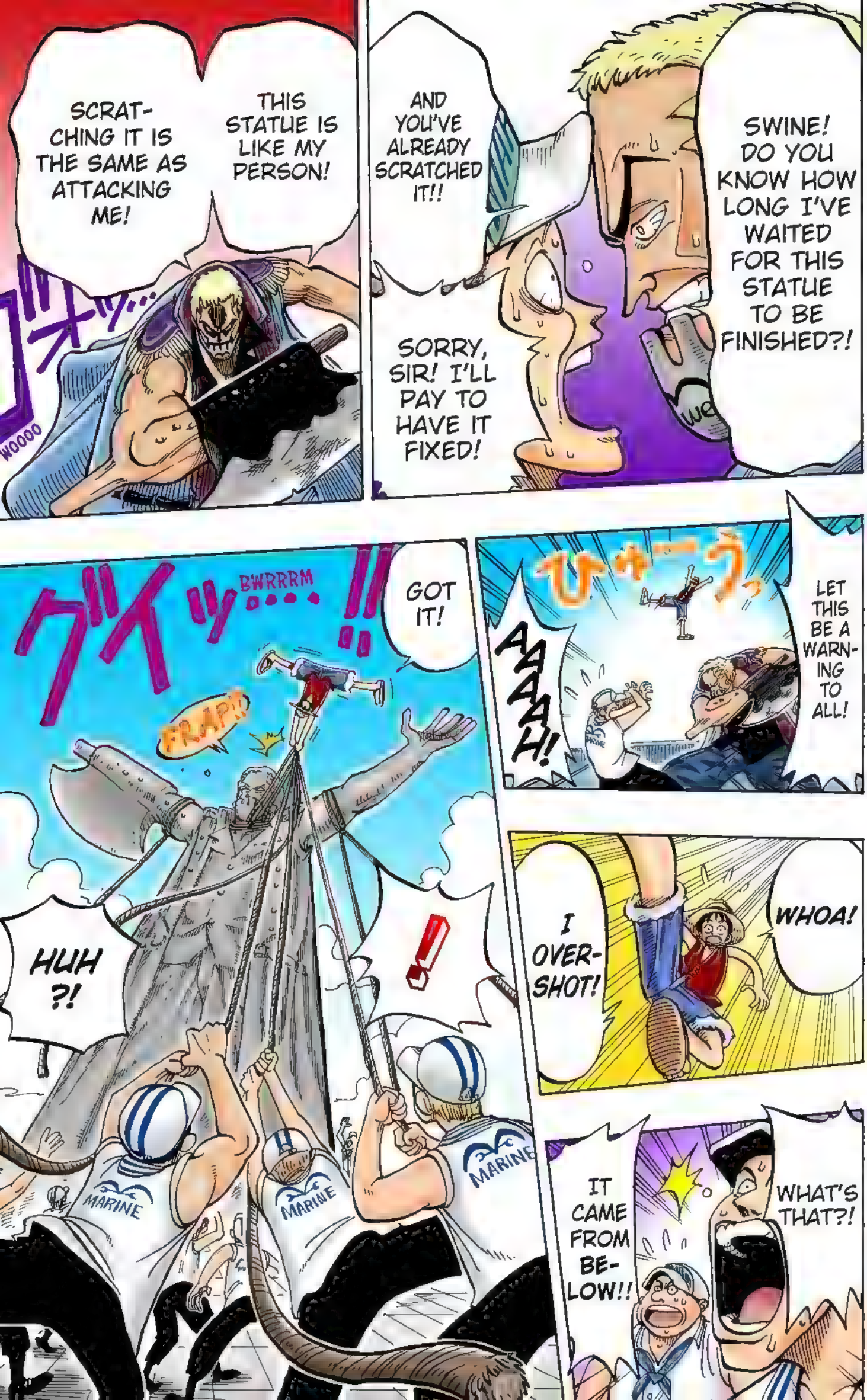
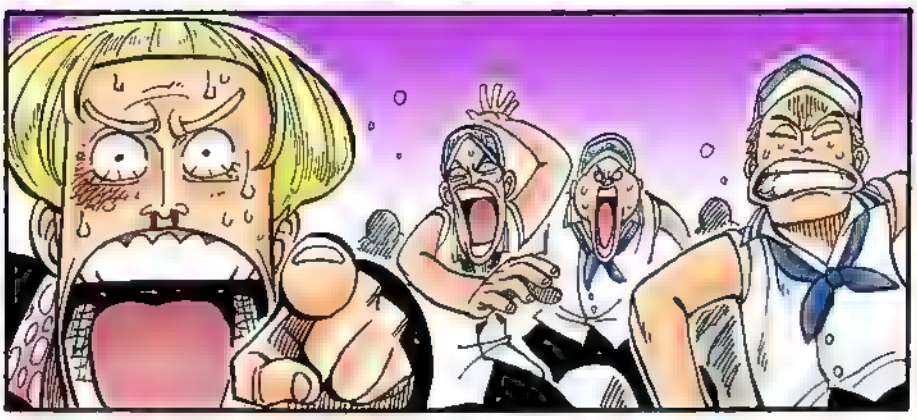
クッ!!

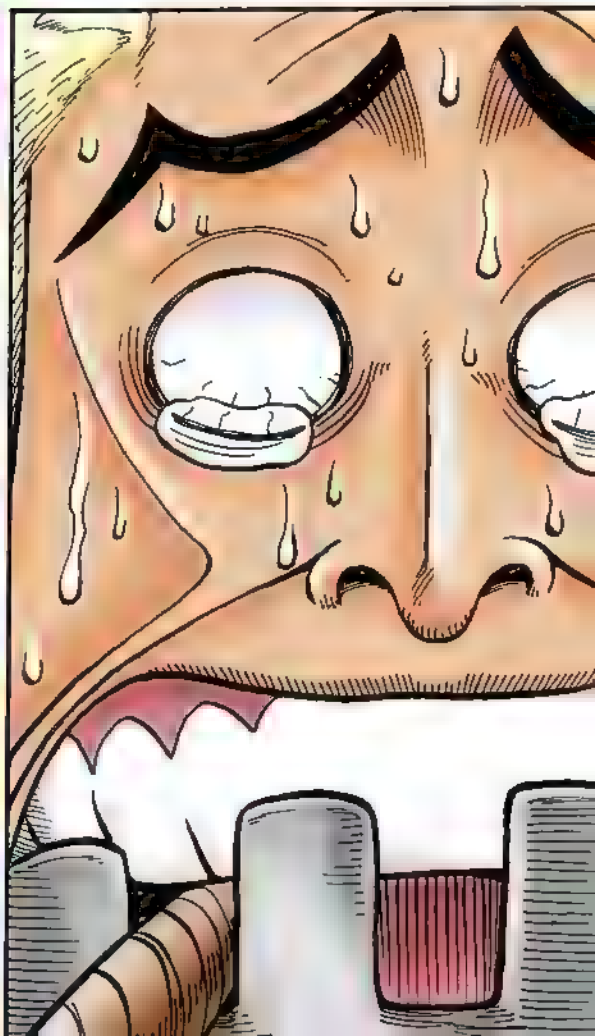
...OR THE IDIOT SON...
NO ONE TO HELP ME FIND THE SWORD...
MAYBE THEY'RE HAVING A MEETING OR SOMETHING...
THAT'S FUNNY... THERE AREN'T ANY MARINES AROUND...
DID YOU JUST BUMP IT?!
WHAT WAS THAT?!
SORRY, SIR! I WAS CARELESS, SIR!
KLUNK...
UNH!
HEAVE!! HEAVE!!
00000
RRCH
I'LL JUST CHECK IT OUT!
I THINK I HEAR VOICES UP THERE.
HUH?
MARINE

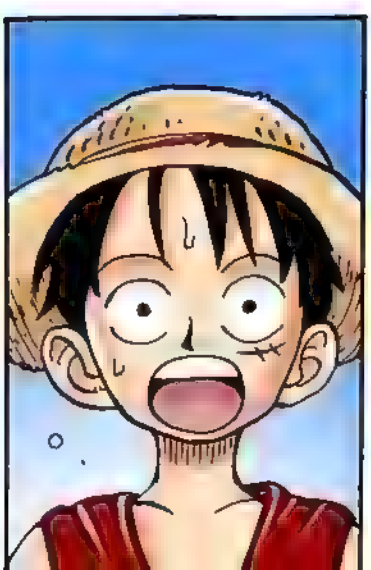
KICH
GWOING
GUM-GUM ...
BREEENG
UNH!
FWUP
MARINE
... ROCKET !!!

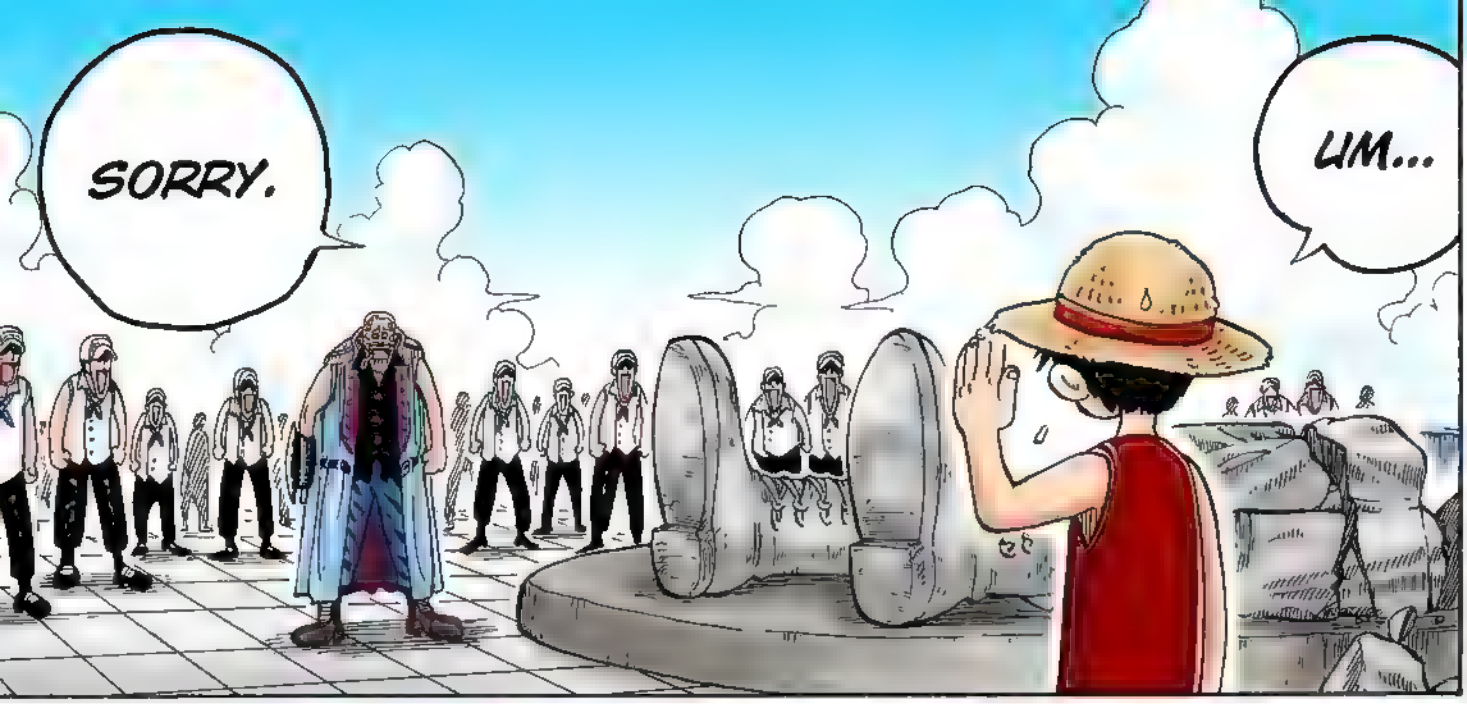

SCRAT-CHING IT IS THE SAME AS ATTACKING ME!
THIS STATUE IS LIKE MY PERSON!
WOOOO
AND YOU'VE ALREADY SCRATCHED IT!!
SORRY, SIR! I'LL PAY TO HAVE IT FIXED!
SWINE! DO YOU KNOW HOW LONG I'VE WAITED FOR THIS STATUE TO BE FINISHED?!
BWRRRM
GOT IT!
FRAP!
HUH ?!
MARINE
MARINE
MARINE
AAAAH!
LET THIS BE A WARN-ING TO ALL!
I OVER-SHOT!
WHOA!
IT CAME FROM BE-LOW!!
WHAT'S THAT?!

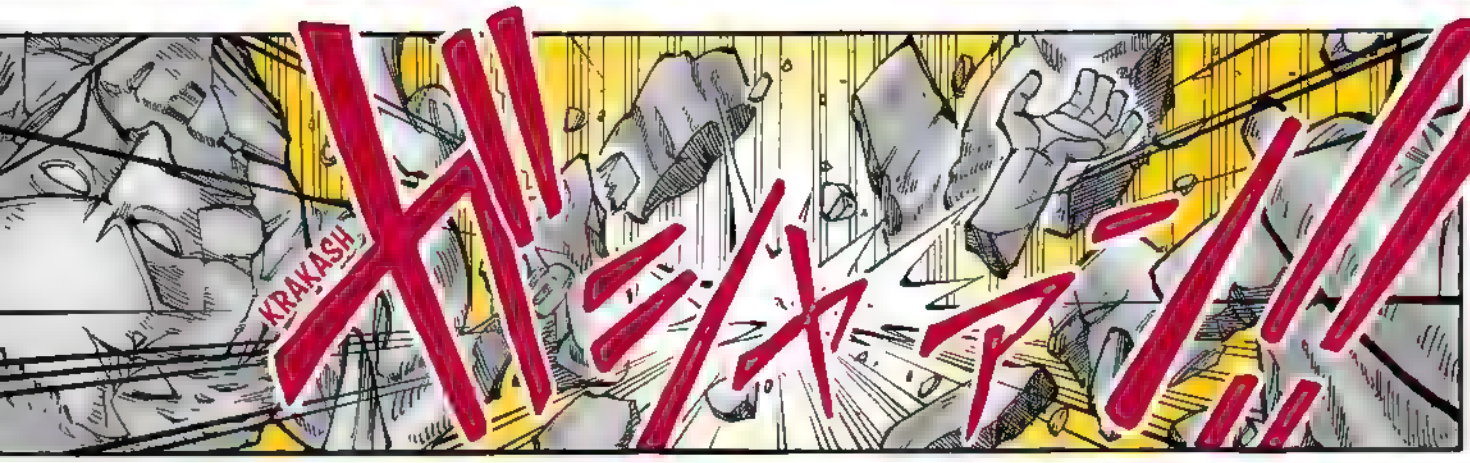
KRAKOOM
HUH?
MARINE
MARINE
MARINE
MARINE
!!!!

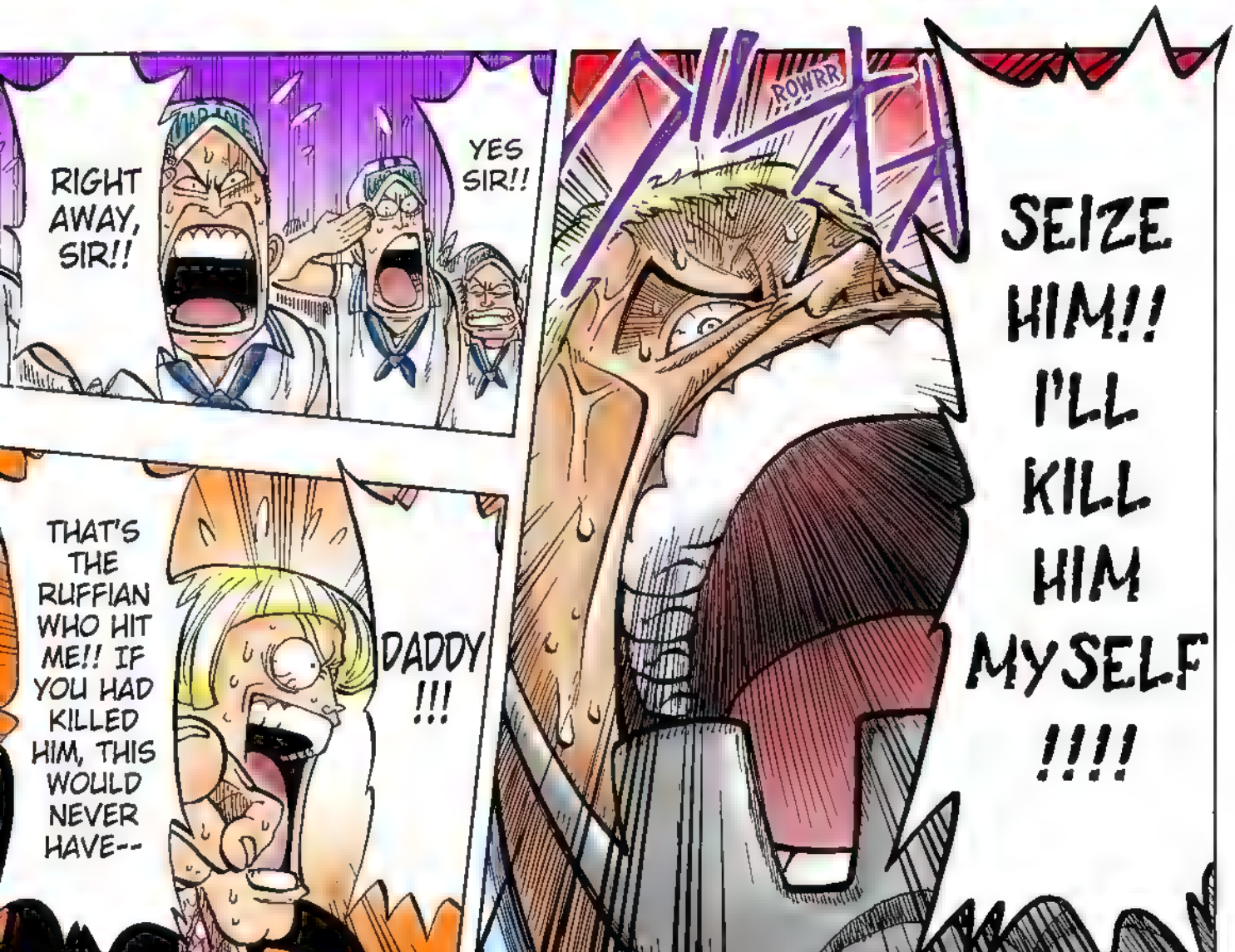


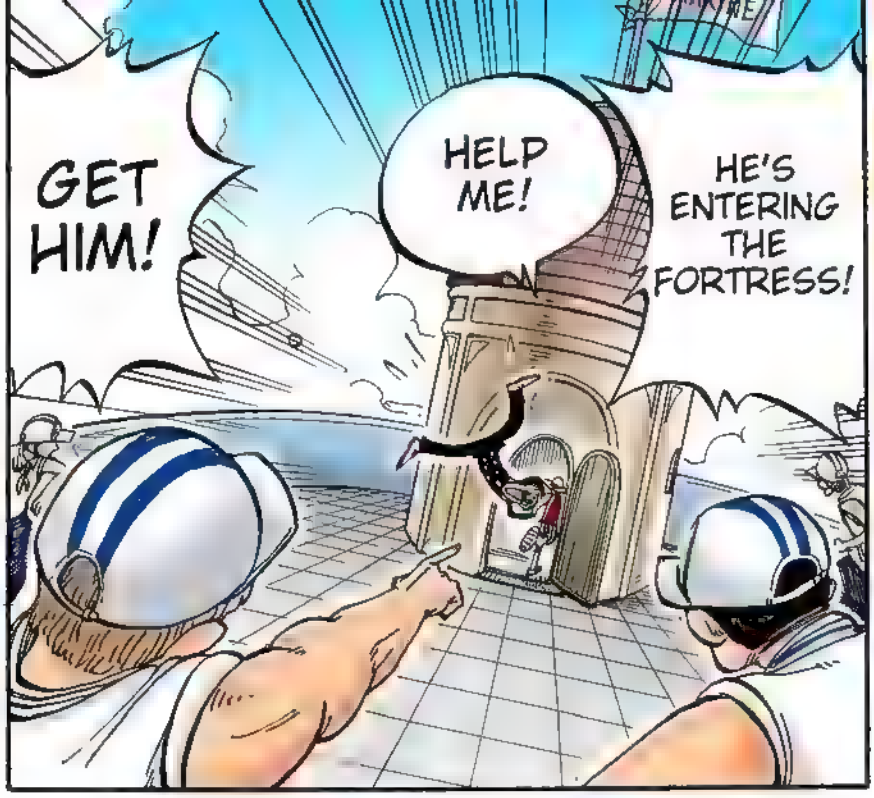


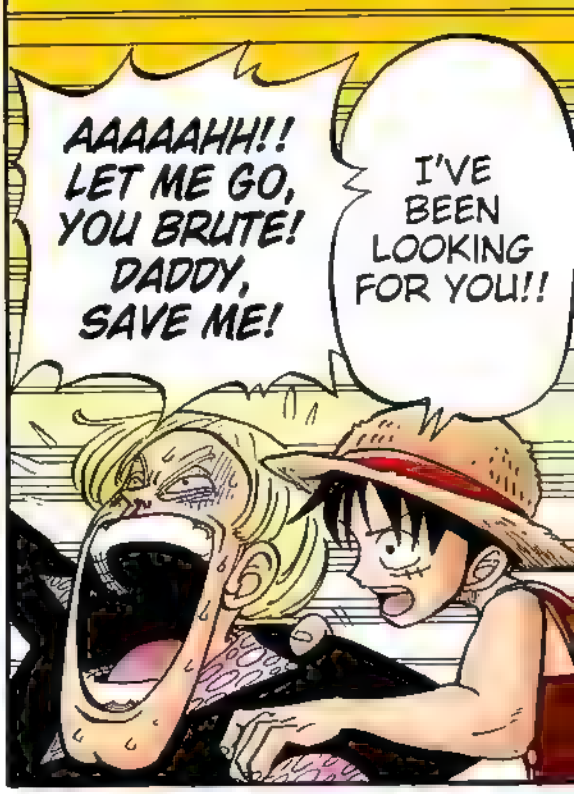


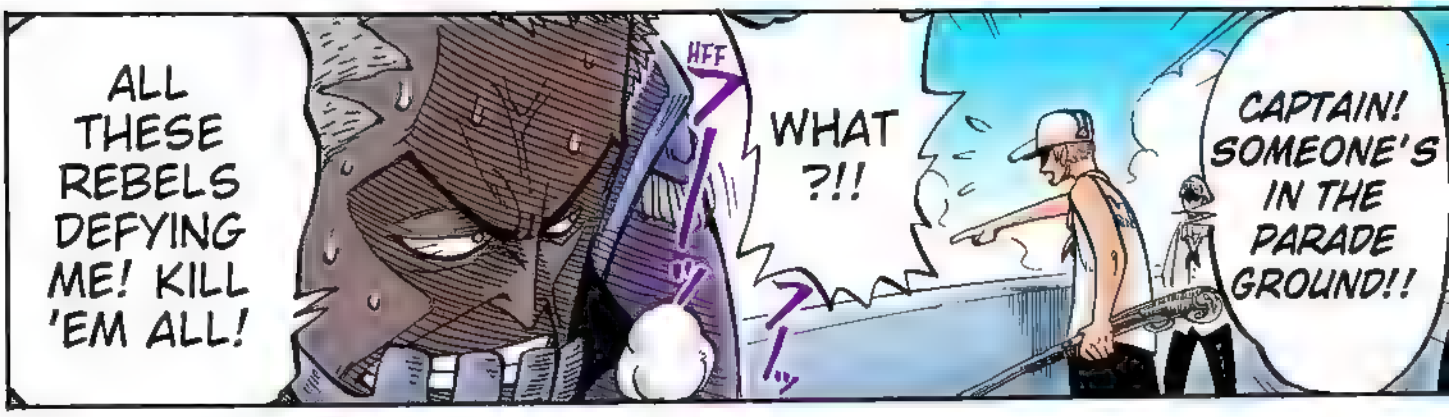

SORRY.
UM...

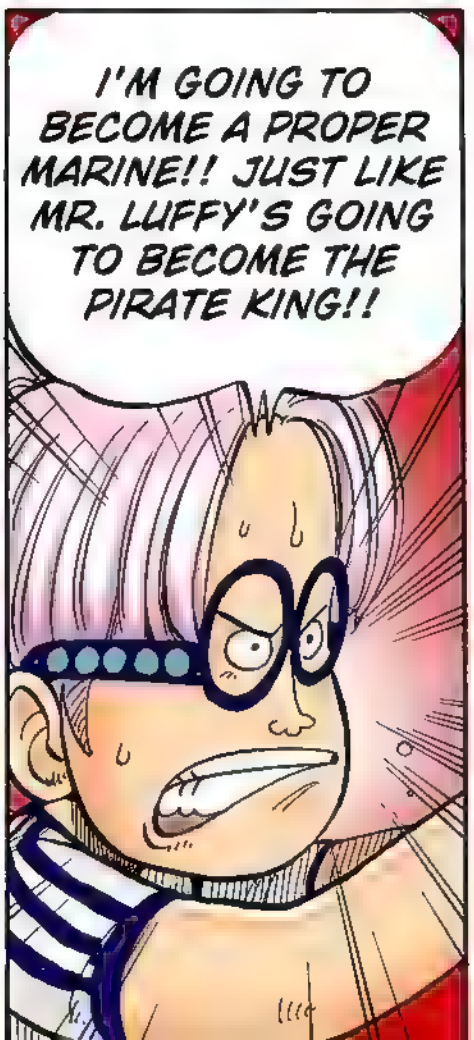

KRAKASH
カ!!ミナアー!!!

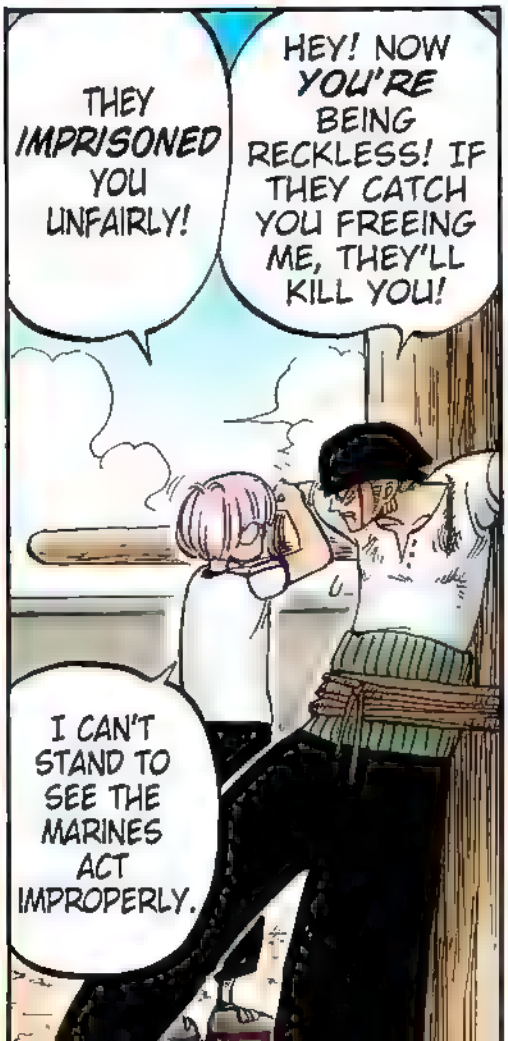

RIGHT AWAY, SIR!!
YES SIR!!
ROWRR
SEIZE HIM!! I'LL KILL HIM MYSELF !!!!
THAT'S THE RUFFIAN WHO HIT ME!! IF YOU HAD KILLED HIM, THIS WOULD NEVER HAVE--
DADDY !!!

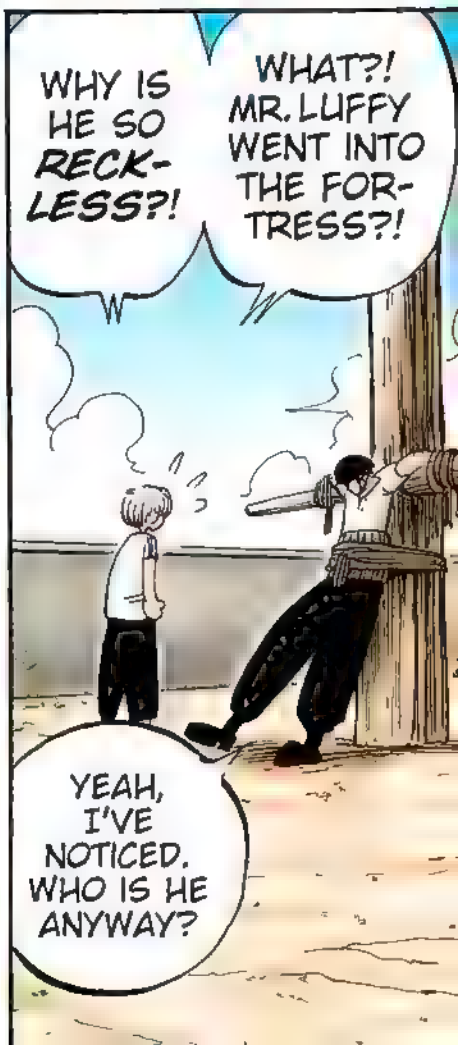

GET HIM!
HELP ME!
HE'S ENTERING THE FORTRESS!

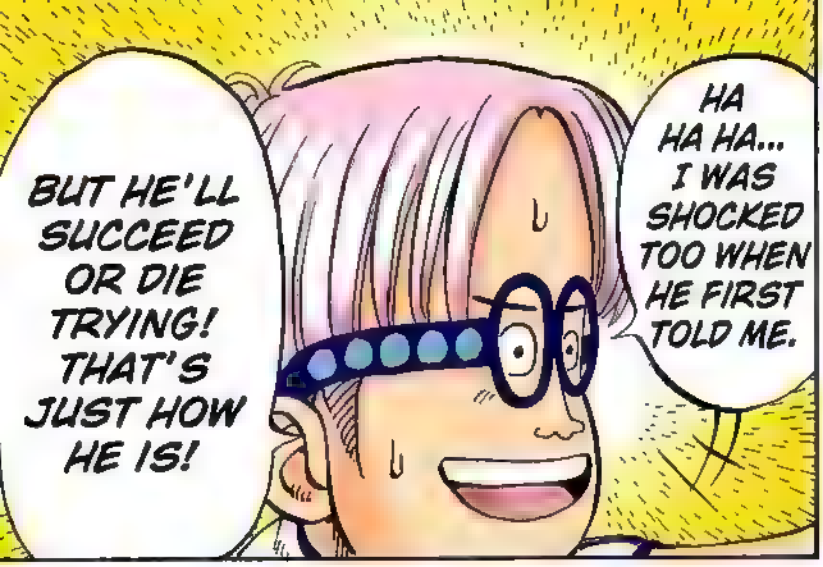

AAAAAHH!! LET ME GO, YOU BRUTE! DADDY, SAVE ME!
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU!!

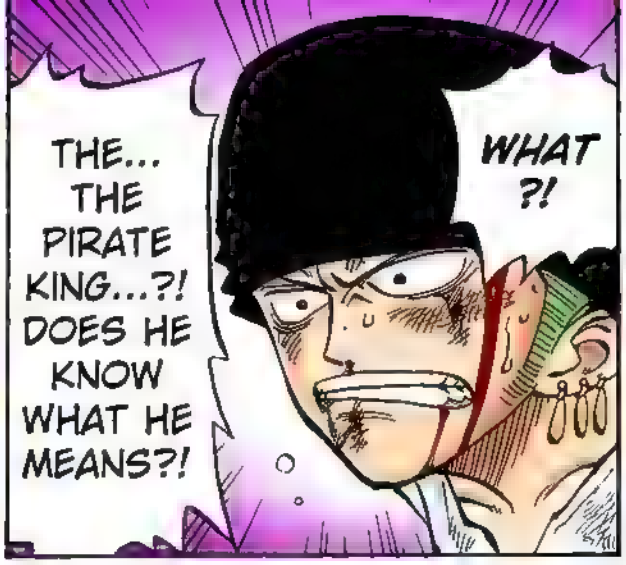

ALL THESE REBELS DEFYING ME! KILL 'EM ALL!
HFF
WHAT ?!!
CAPTAIN! SOMEONE'S IN THE PARADE GROUND!!


I'M GOING TO BECOME A PROPER MARINE!! JUST LIKE MR. LUFFY'S GOING TO BECOME THE PIRATE KING!!

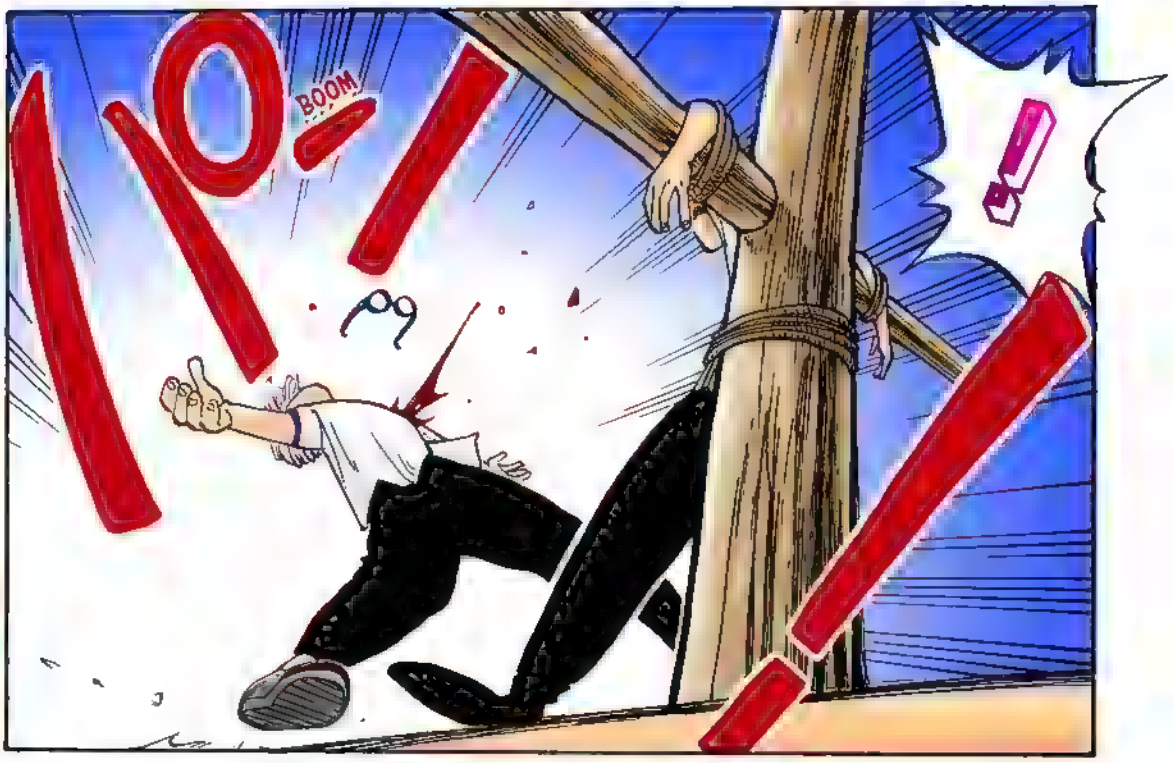

THEY IMPRISONED YOU UNFAIRLY!
HEY! NOW YOU'RE BEING RECKLESS! IF THEY CATCH YOU FREEING ME, THEY'LL KILL YOU!
I CAN'T STAND TO SEE THE MARINES ACT IMPROPERLY.


WHY IS HE SO RECK-LESS?!
WHAT?! MR. LUFFY WENT INTO THE FOR-TRESS?!
YEAH, I'VE NOTICED. WHO IS HE ANYWAY?


BUT HE'LL SUCCEED OR DIE TRYING! THAT'S JUST HOW HE IS!
HA HA HA... I WAS SHOCKED TOO WHEN HE FIRST TOLD ME.


THE... THE PIRATE KING...?! DOES HE KNOW WHAT HE MEANS?!
WHAT ?!

MARINE


BOOM
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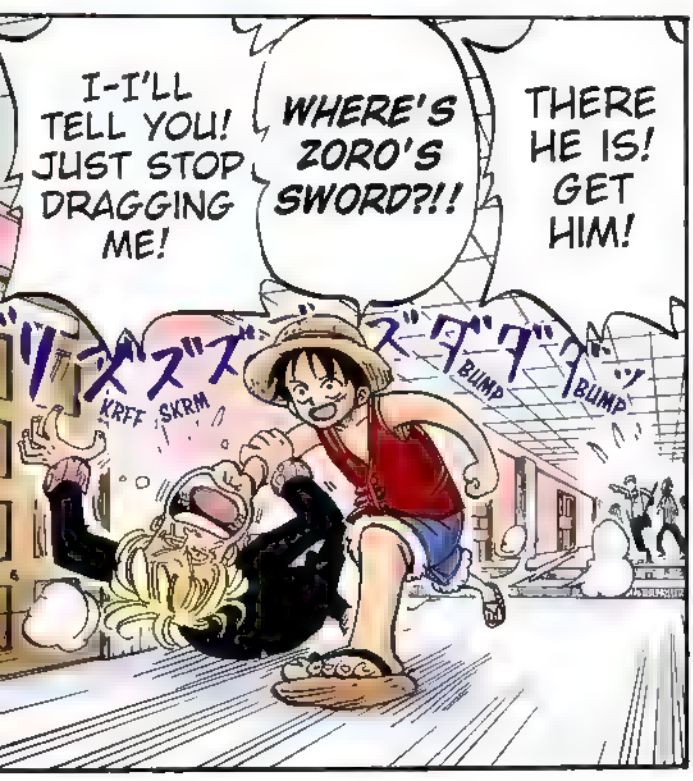
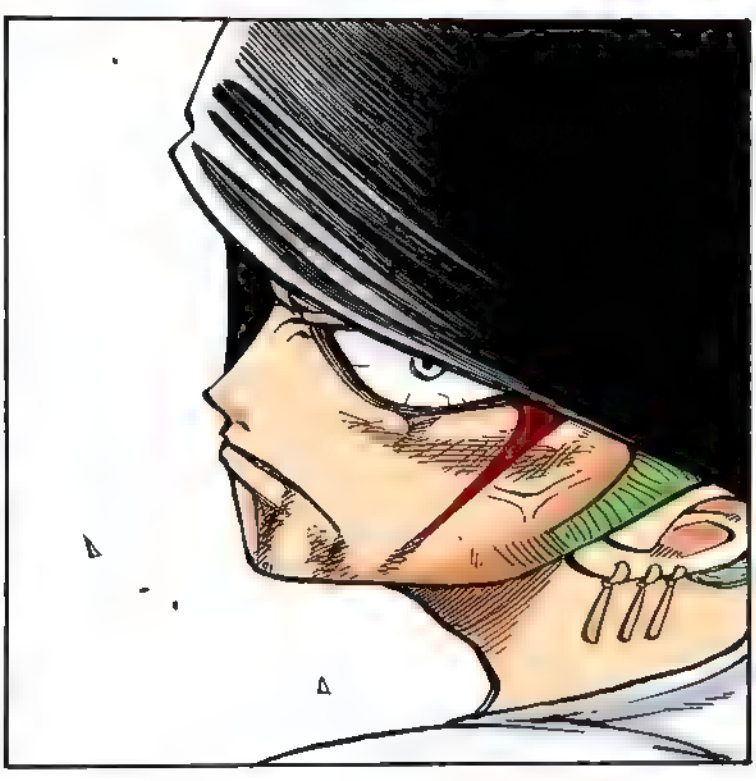
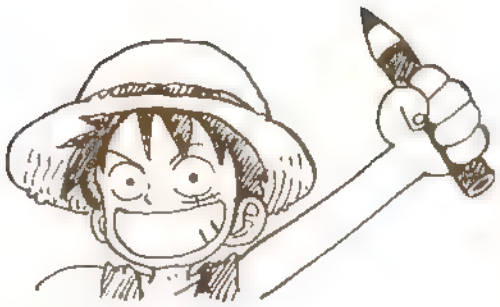

I-I'LL TELL YOU! JUST STOP DRAGGING ME!
WHERE'S ZORO'S SWORD?!!
THERE HE IS! GET HIM!
KREF SKRM
BUMP
BUMP



MAKE YOUR OWN ORIGINAL PIRATE FLAG!



HAVE YOU MASTERED THE BASICS OF THE SKULL AND CROSSBONES? NEXT, WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN ORIGINAL DESIGNS!

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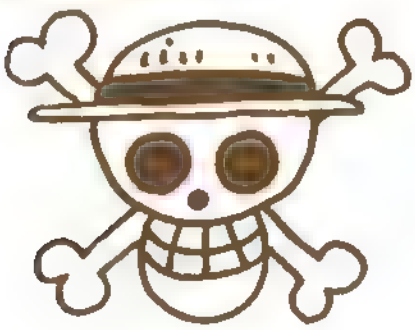


LUFFY'S FLAG
Just add a straw hat!

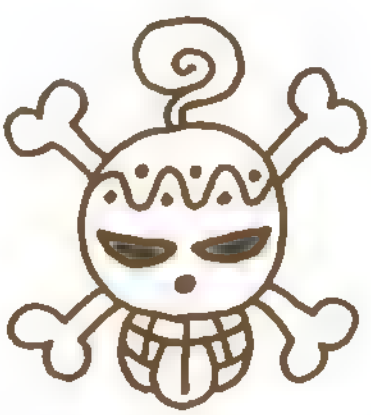
SHANKS' FLAG
Add three scars on the left eye and replace the cross-bones with swords.

ALVIDA'S FLAG
In profile with a heart symbol.

SUGGESTIONS

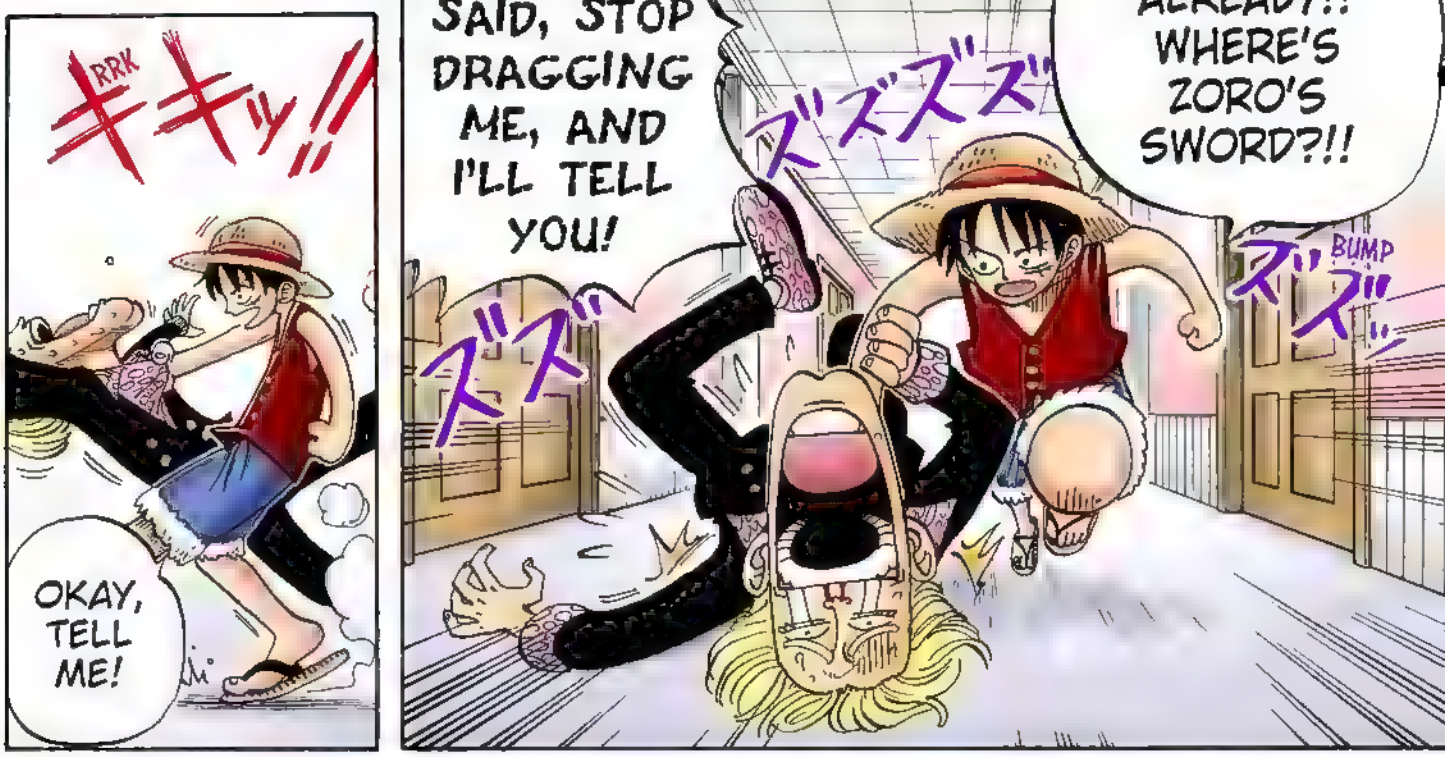
If you like baseball you can do something like this!

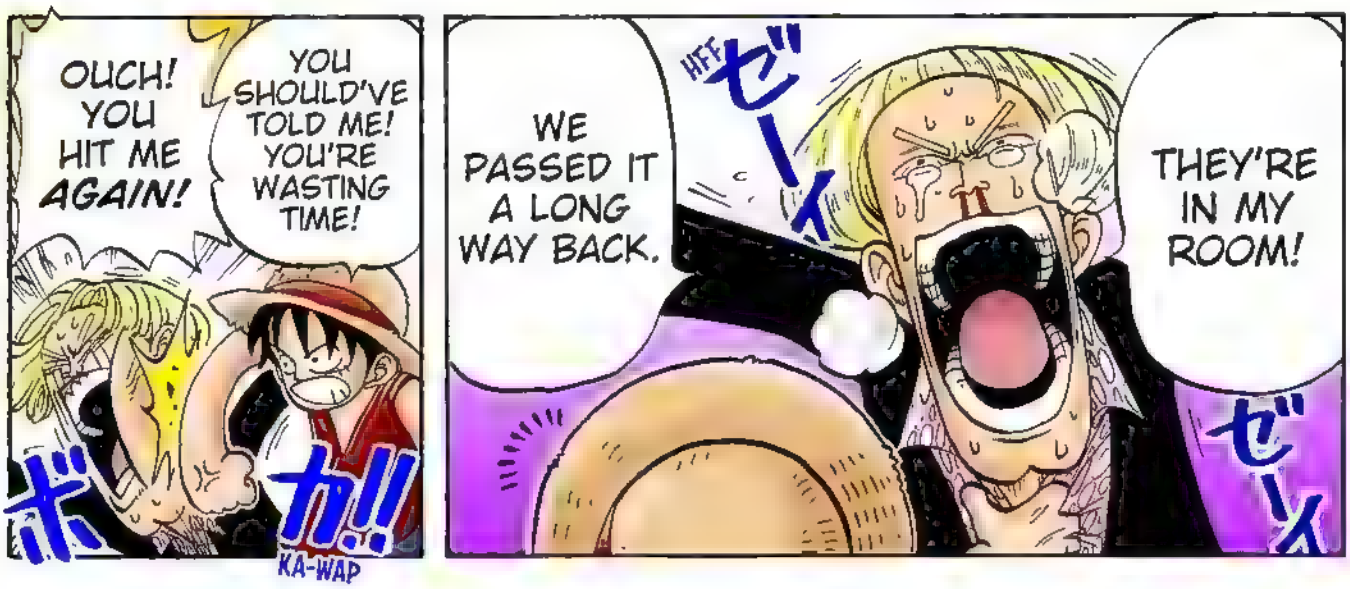
...Or like this, if you want to be a cook!

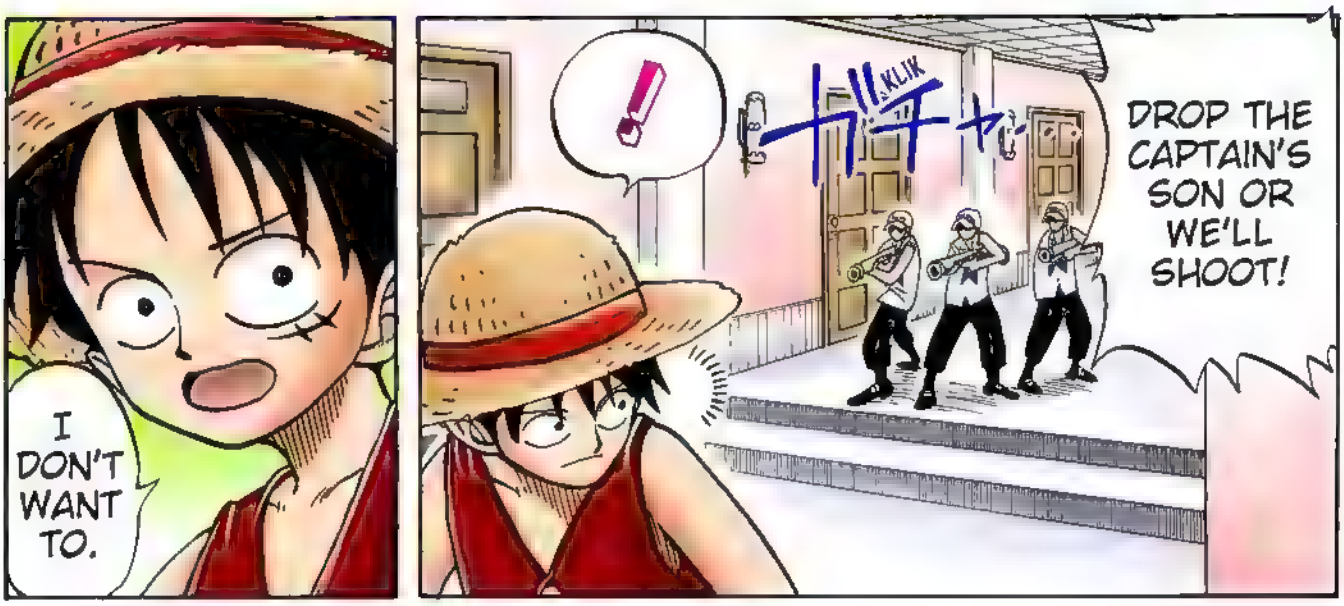


Here's another original design!

Chapter 5:
THE PIRATE KING AND THE GREAT SWORDSMAN

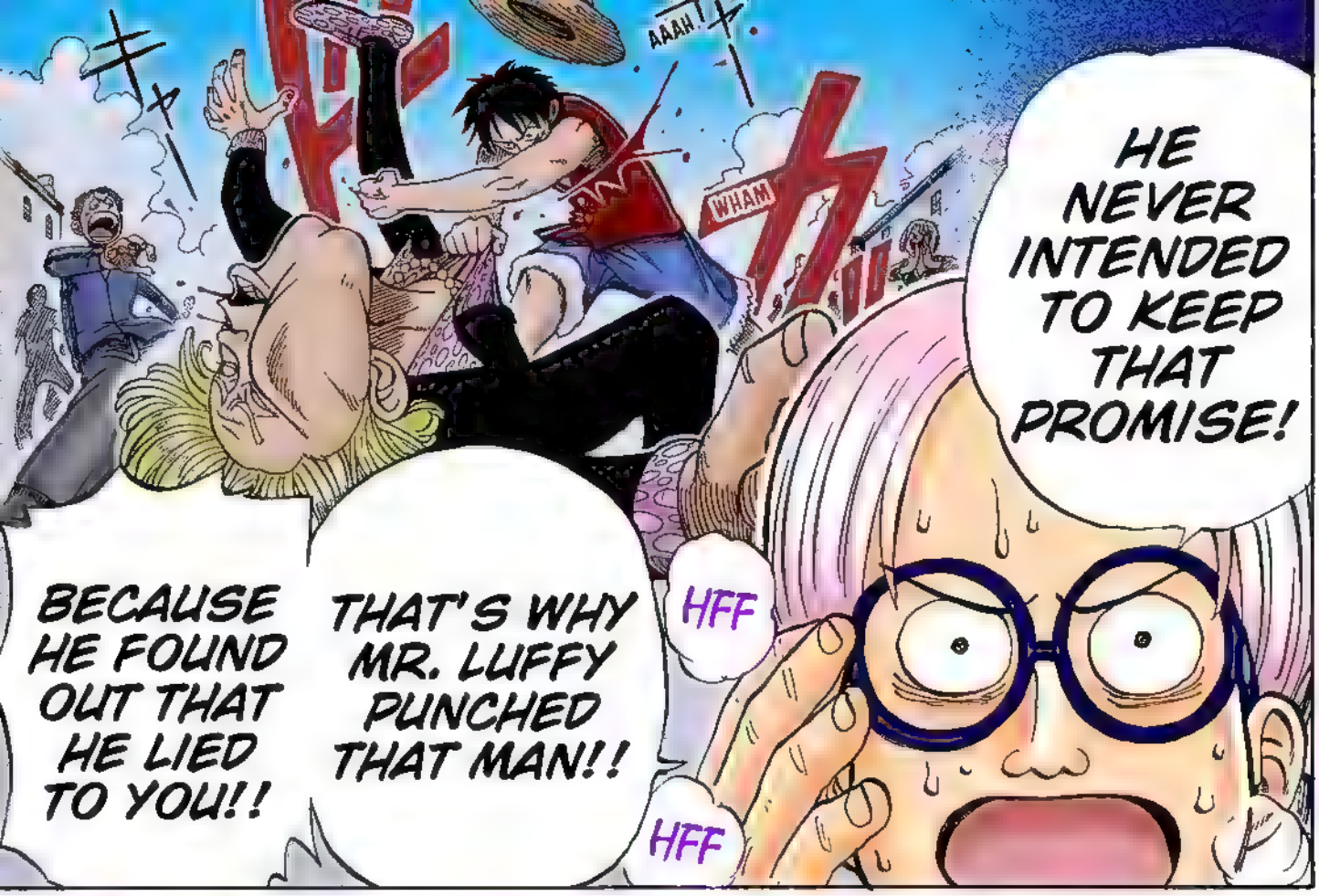

RRK
キキッ!!
OKAY, TELL ME!
L-LIKE I SAID, STOP DRAGGING ME, AND I'LL TELL YOU!
ズズズズ
ズズ
TELL ME ALREADY!! WHERE'S ZORO'S SWORD?!!
BUMP
ズ!!

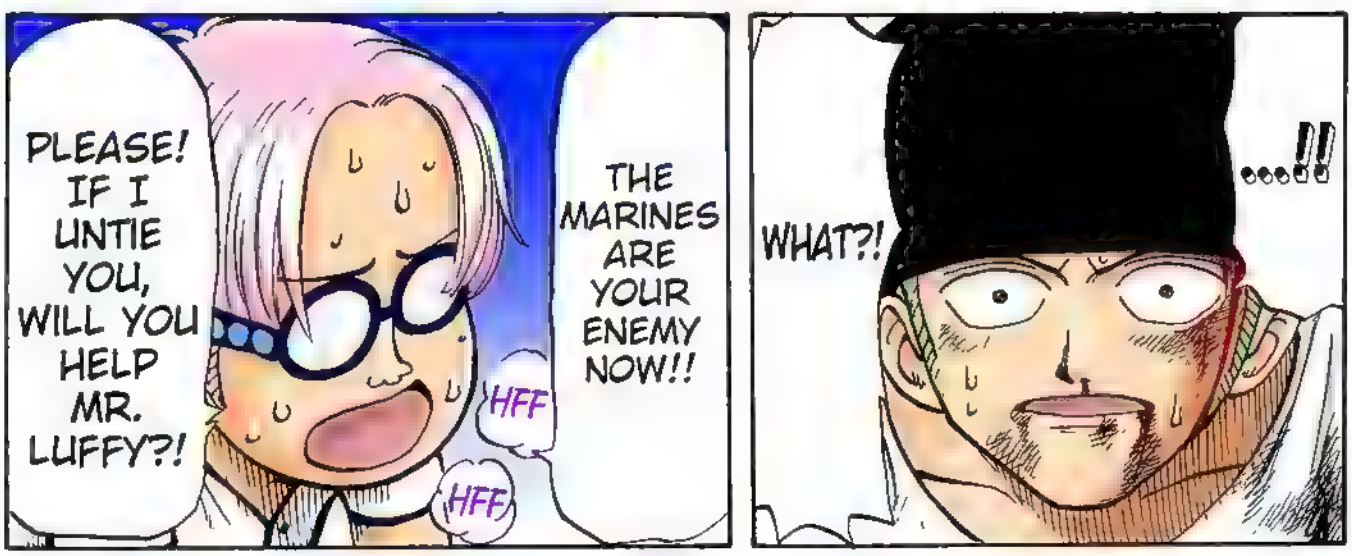

OUCH! YOU HIT ME AGAIN!
YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD ME! YOU'RE WASTING TIME!
ボカ!!
KA-WAP
WE PASSED IT A LONG WAY BACK.
HFF
ゼーイ
THEY'RE IN MY ROOM!
ゼーイ

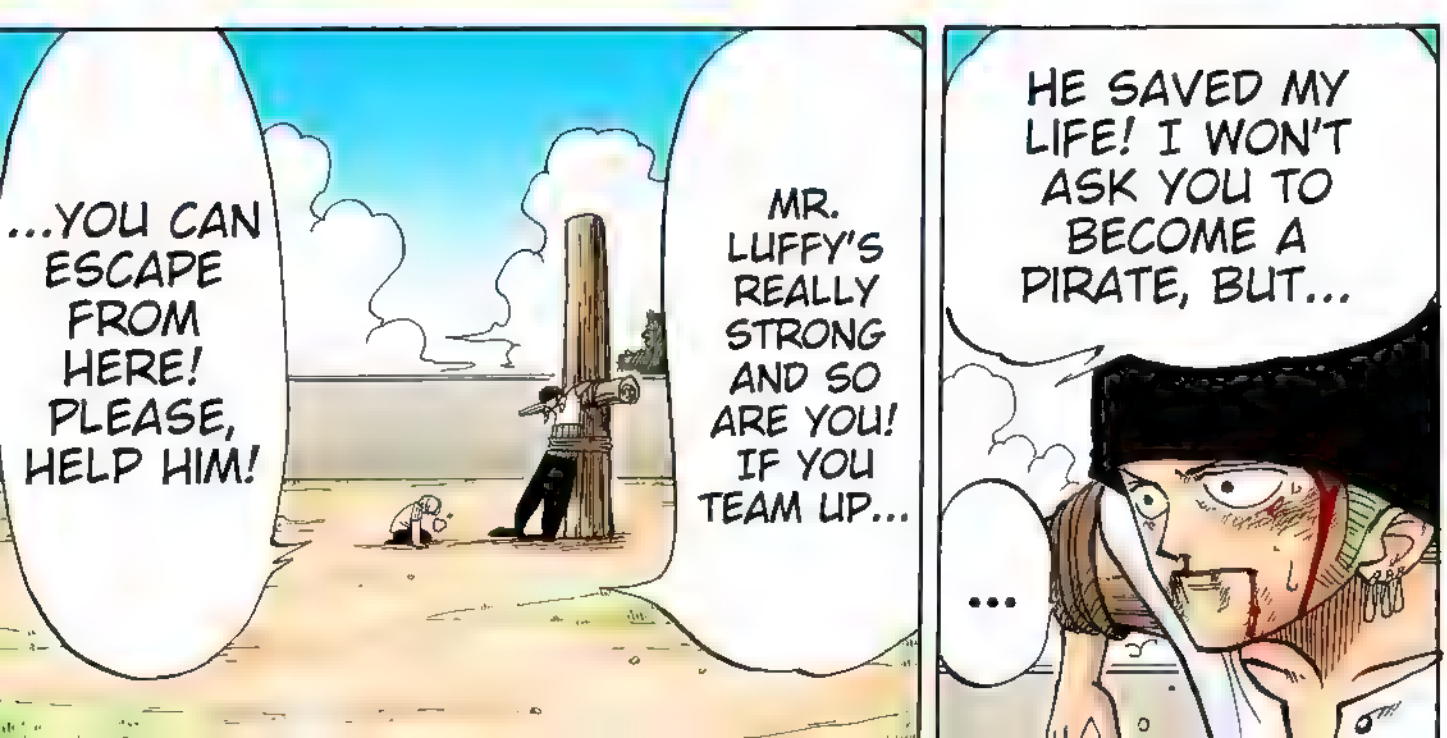

I DON'T WANT TO.
!
KLIK
ガチャ
DROP THE CAPTAIN'S SON OR WE'LL SHOOT!

HE'S USING LORD HEL-MEPPO AS A SHIELD!!
GYAAAAAAH!
KLOMP
ズドドドドド
AAAAH
あぁあああ
IF YOU WANT TO SHOOT, THEN GO AHEAD!!
すいっ
FWIP
HUH?
WAAAH!
WAAAH!
BLOOD! I'M BLEED-ING!! AAAH!!
LUB-DUB LUB-DUB
I'VE BEEN SHOT! AAAAH!
AAAH!
あぁあああ

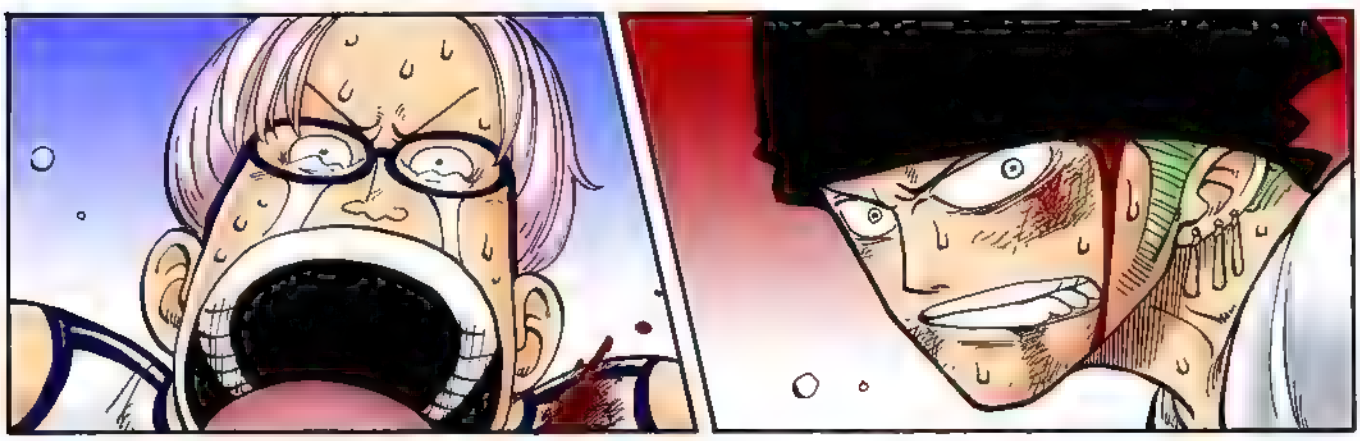
GOOD! YOU'RE ALIVE!
...
PHEW
I'M GONNA DIE!!!
BUT... HFF HFF... I HAVEN'T UNTIED YOU...
HFF
HFF
HFF HFF...
THEY'RE ON THEIR WAY DOWN.
NOW GET OUTTA HERE!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?! THAT IDIOT PROMISED ME! IF I SURVIVE HERE FOR A MONTH, I'LL BE SET FREE!!
YOU'RE GOING TO BE EXECUTED THREE DAYS FROM NOW!!
THEY'RE NOT GOING TO LET YOU GO!
SO JUST BEAT IT--
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME. I JUST HAVE TO SURVIVE THE MONTH AND THEY'LL LET ME GO.

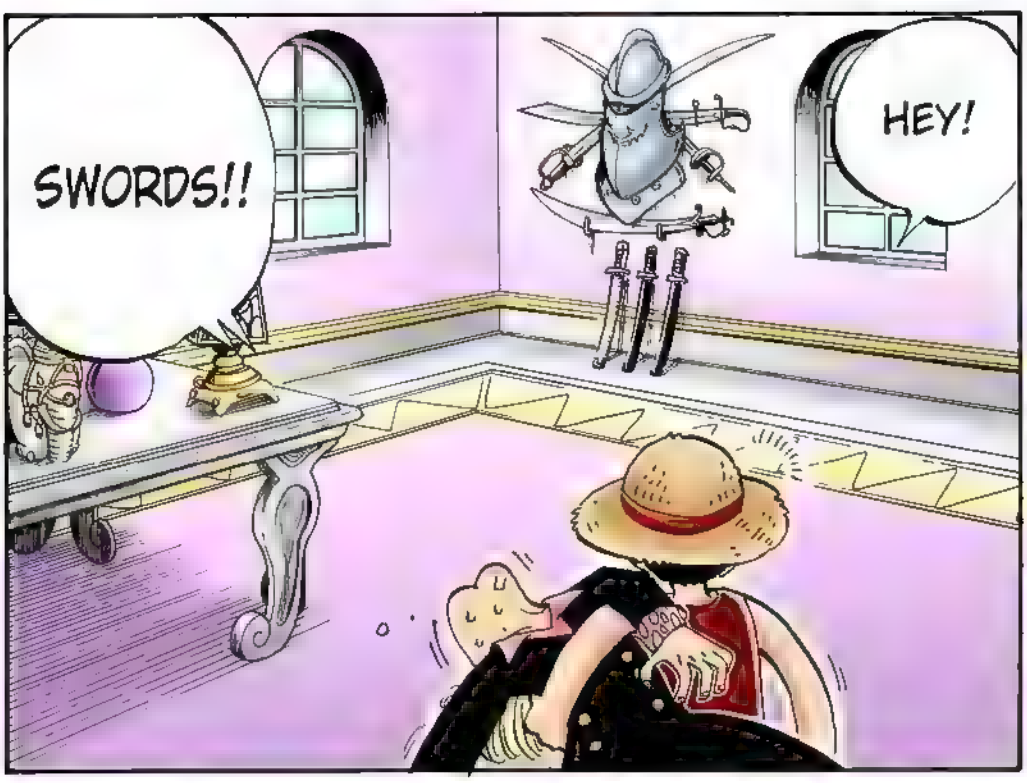

AAAH!
WHAM
HE NEVER INTENDED TO KEEP THAT PROMISE!
HFF
HFF
THAT'S WHY MR. LUFFY PUNCHED THAT MAN!!
BECAUSE HE FOUND OUT THAT HE LIED TO YOU!!

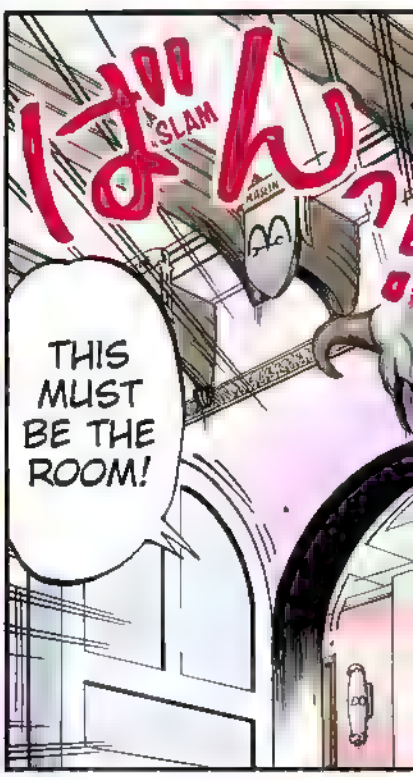

PLEASE! IF I UNTIE YOU, WILL YOU HELP MR. LUFFY?!
HFF
HFF
THE MARINES ARE YOUR ENEMY NOW!!
WHAT?!
...!!


...YOU CAN ESCAPE FROM HERE! PLEASE, HELP HIM!
MR. LUFFY'S REALLY STRONG AND SO ARE YOU! IF YOU TEAM UP...
HE SAVED MY LIFE! I WON'T ASK YOU TO BECOME A PIRATE, BUT...
...

CAPTAIN MORGAN HAS ORDERED YOUR IMMEDIATE EXECU-TION!!!
HI!!
FWIP
?!!
MARINE
STAY WHERE YOU ARE!



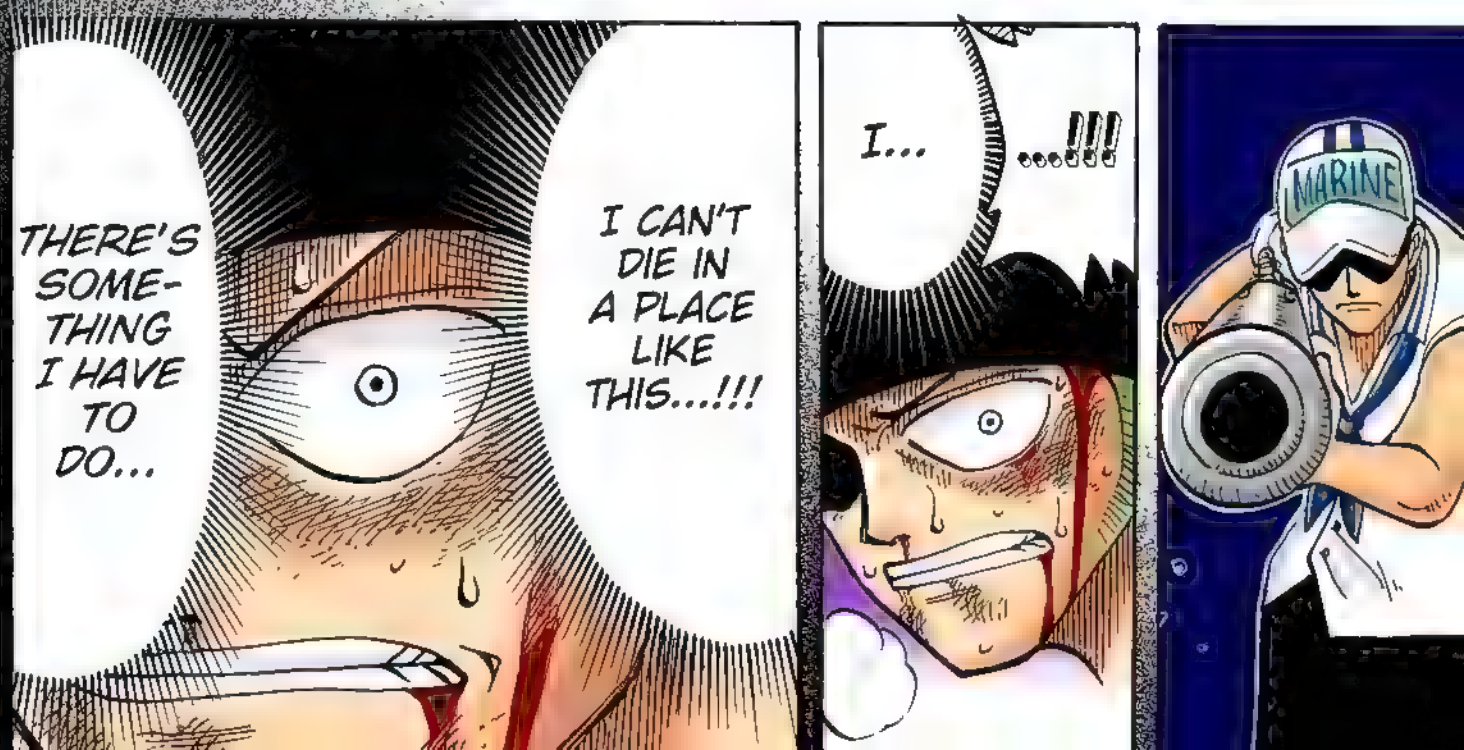

SWORDS!!
HEY!


ばん
SLAM
THIS MUST BE THE ROOM!

HUH? HE FAINTED?
CHOKE
ガクーン
HMM?
WHICH ONE IS ZORO'S SWORD?
BUT THERE ARE THREE SWORDS?!
KOBY!
!
WHAT'S GOING ON DOWN THERE?!
YOU'RE TRYING TO OVERTHROW ME!!
ズゥ GLOOM ーン!!
YOU THREE AREN'T SIMPLE OUTLAWS, ARE YOU?!
SURROUND THE FORTRESS!! IF THAT RASCAL IN THE STRAW HAT ESCAPES, YOU'LL ALL BE SORRY!!!

WHEN COMPARED TO MY MIGHTY STRENGTH...
...IT IS EVIDENT WHO IS SUPERIOR ...!!!
RORONOA ZORO... I HAVE HEARD OF YOUR REPUTATION, BUT YOU'D BEST NOT UNDERESTI-MATE ME!

ガチャ CHAK・・・!!
TAKE AIM!
!!!


THERE'S SOME-THING I HAVE TO DO...
I CAN'T DIE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...!!!
I...
...!!!
MARINE

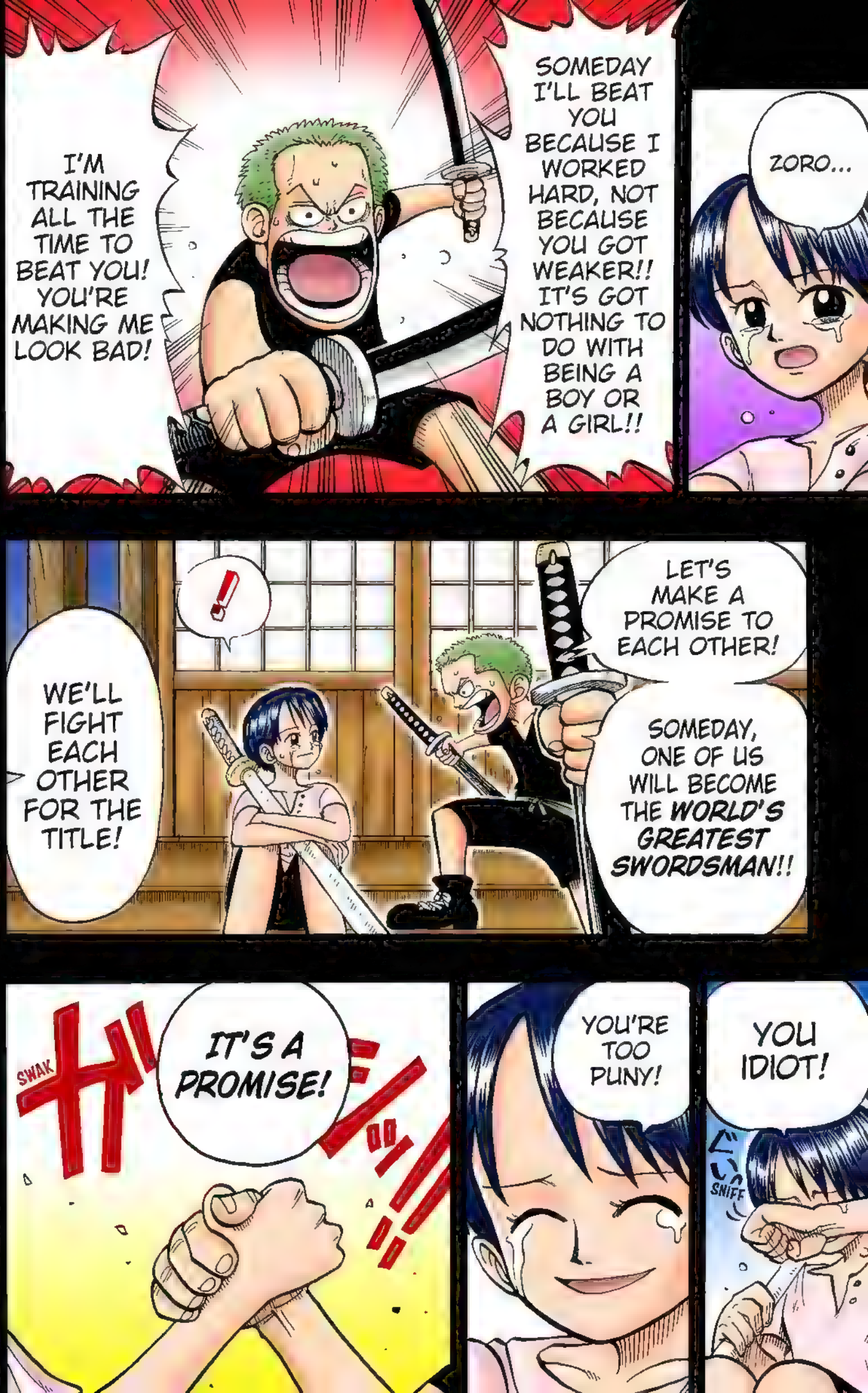
ZORO IS 0 FOR 2000 AGAINST KUINA!
EVEN WITH TWO SWORDS, ZORO LOST!!
KUINA WINS AGAIN!!
OH WELL ...
U-GH!
YAAA!!
I MADE A PROMISE!
WAP
HE'S EVEN STRONGER THAN THE GROWN-UPS!
YEAH! HE'S THE STRONGEST IN OUR DOJO!
HEY! ZORO'S NOT WEAK!
KIND OF WEAK FOR A BOY, AREN'T YOU?
PATHETIC ...
SHE THINKS SHE'S SO GREAT JUST BECAUSE SHE'S THE SENSEI'S DAUGHTER!
KUINA MAKES ME SO MAD!
DAMN!
She's kinda cute though
EVEN IF HE CAN USE TWO SWORDS, HE'S STILL WEAK!
THAT SO? WELL, HE'S NOT AS STRONG AS ME!
LOSERS SHOULD LEARN TO SUFFER DEFEAT IN SILENCE.

OF COURSE NOT!
SENSEI! ARE YOU TEACHING HER SECRET TRICKS BECAUSE SHE'S YOUR DAUGHTER?!
ギャー
ギャー GRMBL
IT'S NOT FAIR!
IT'S ODD BECAUSE YOU ARE ACTUALLY VERY STRONG.
LOST AGAIN, EH, ZORO?
SEN-SEI!
DON
BUT I CAN BEAT GROWN-UPS!!
DON'T FORGET THAT KUINA IS A LITTLE OLDER THAN YOU.
WHY CAN'T I BEAT THAT GIRL?!
KLATA
KLAK
DAMN!
I CAN'T KEEP LOSING TO THAT GIRL!
WHEN I GROW UP, I'M GONNA SET SAIL AND BECOME THE GREATEST SWORDSMAN IN THE WORLD!!!

ZORO ...
HUFF
HFF
HFF
KLAK
HYAAH!!
HYAAH!!
IT'S YOUR FUNERAL.
REAL SWORDS? OKAY...
YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF REAL SWORDS, ARE YOU ?!!
KUINA! I CHALLENGE YOU TO A DUEL... WITH REAL SWORDS !!!
I'M READY !!
HERE I COME.
SKFF

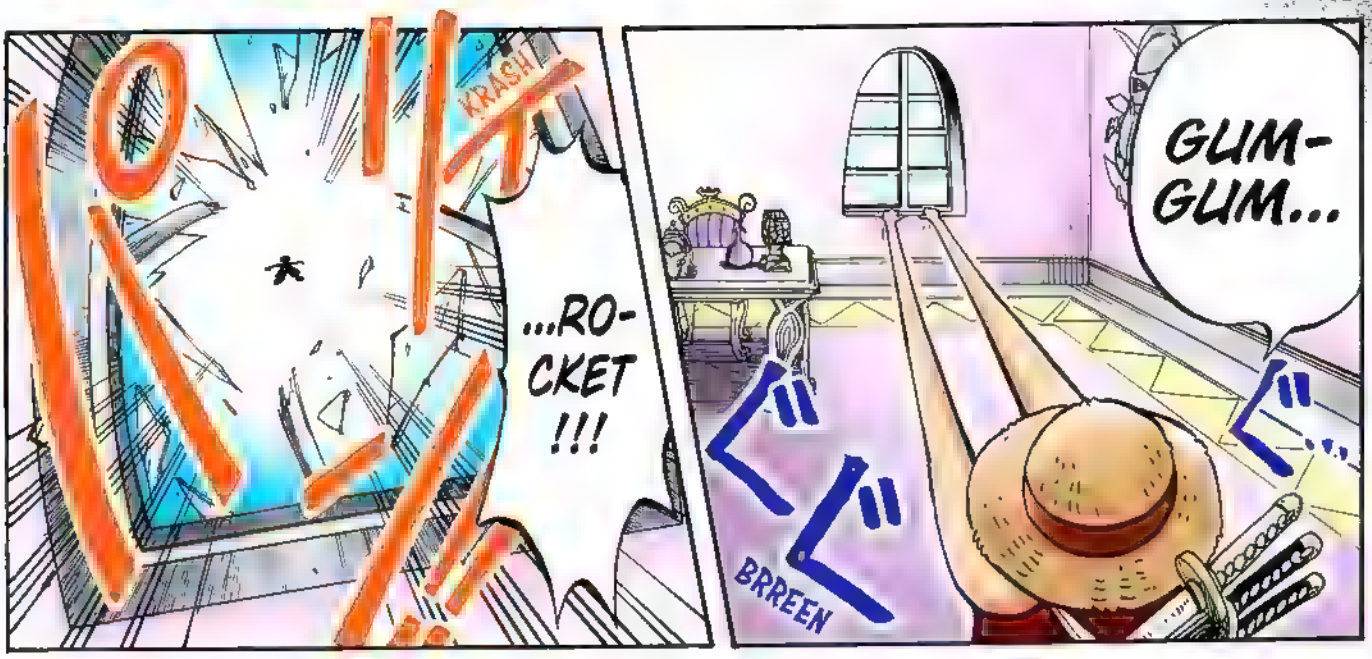
CHING
KLANG
YAAHH!!
UWAHH!!
THAT MAKES 2,001 TIMES I'VE BEATEN YOU!
SHUNK
!!!
!
IT'S SO FRUST-RATING!
DAMN!
THUNK

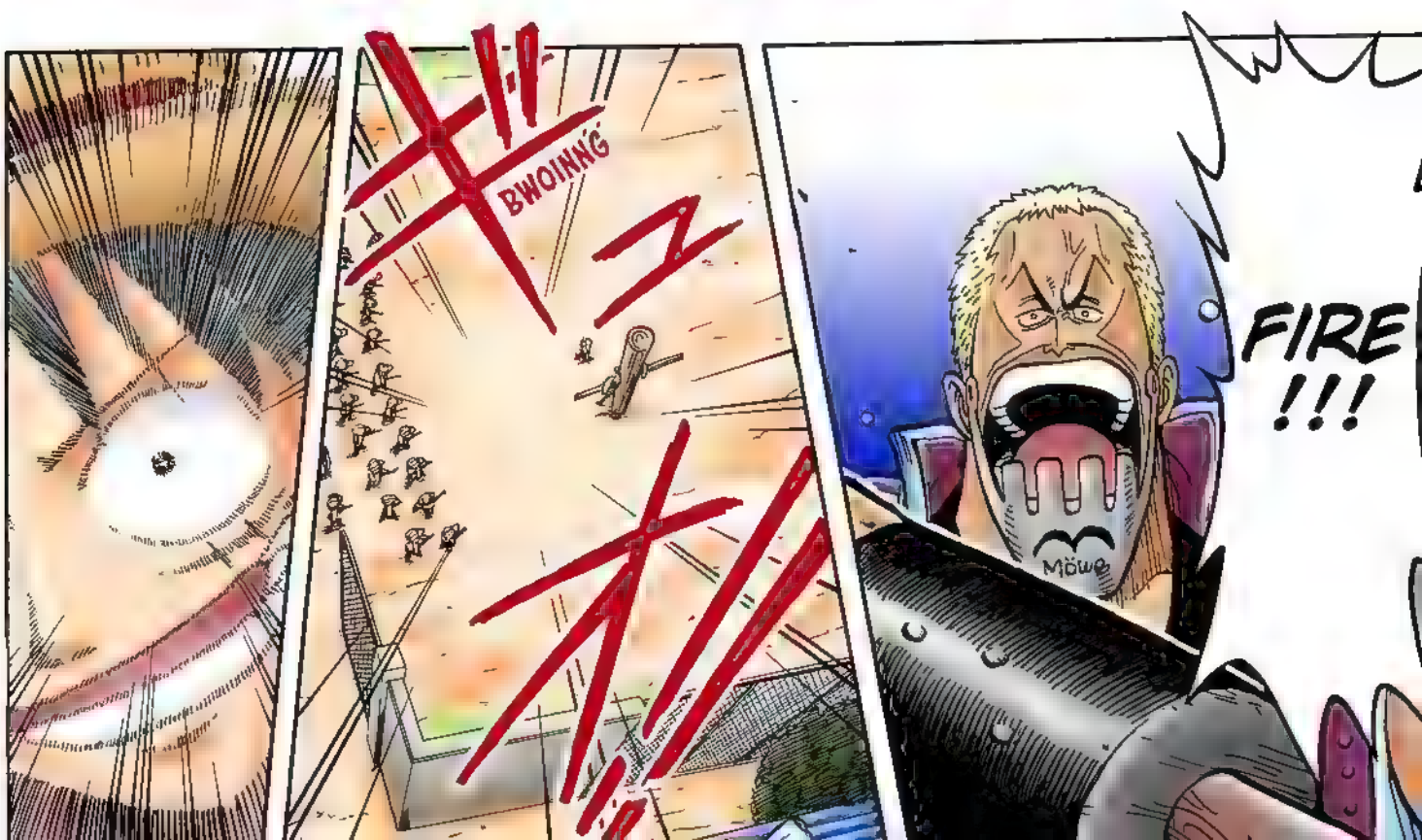
PRETTY SOON YOU'LL ALL BE STRONGER THAN ME.
ZORO, YOU'RE ALWAYS SAYING...
WHEN GIRLS GET OLDER, THEY BECOME WEAKER THAN THE BOYS.
HUH?
I'M THE ONE WHO'S FRUS-TRATED...
YOU'RE LUCKY YOU'RE A BOY, ZORO...
I WANNA BECOME THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDSMAN TOO!!
FATHER SAYS THAT GIRLS CAN'T BE MASTER SWORDSMEN ...
...THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDS-MAN...
...
I WISH I WERE A BOY ...
BUT I'M STARTING TO GET BREASTS ...
WHAT ARE YOU CRYING ABOUT?! YOU BEAT ME!!
DON'T BE SUCH A COWARD!! BEATING YOU IS MY GOAL!!!


I'M TRAINING ALL THE TIME TO BEAT YOU! YOU'RE MAKING ME LOOK BAD!
SOMEDAY I'LL BEAT YOU BECAUSE I WORKED HARD, NOT BECAUSE YOU GOT WEAKER!! IT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH BEING A BOY OR A GIRL!!
ZORO...
!
WE'LL FIGHT EACH OTHER FOR THE TITLE!
LET'S MAKE A PROMISE TO EACH OTHER!
SOMEDAY, ONE OF US WILL BECOME THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDSMAN!!
SWAK
IT'S A PROMISE!
YOU'RE TOO PUNY!
YOU IDIOT!
SNIFF

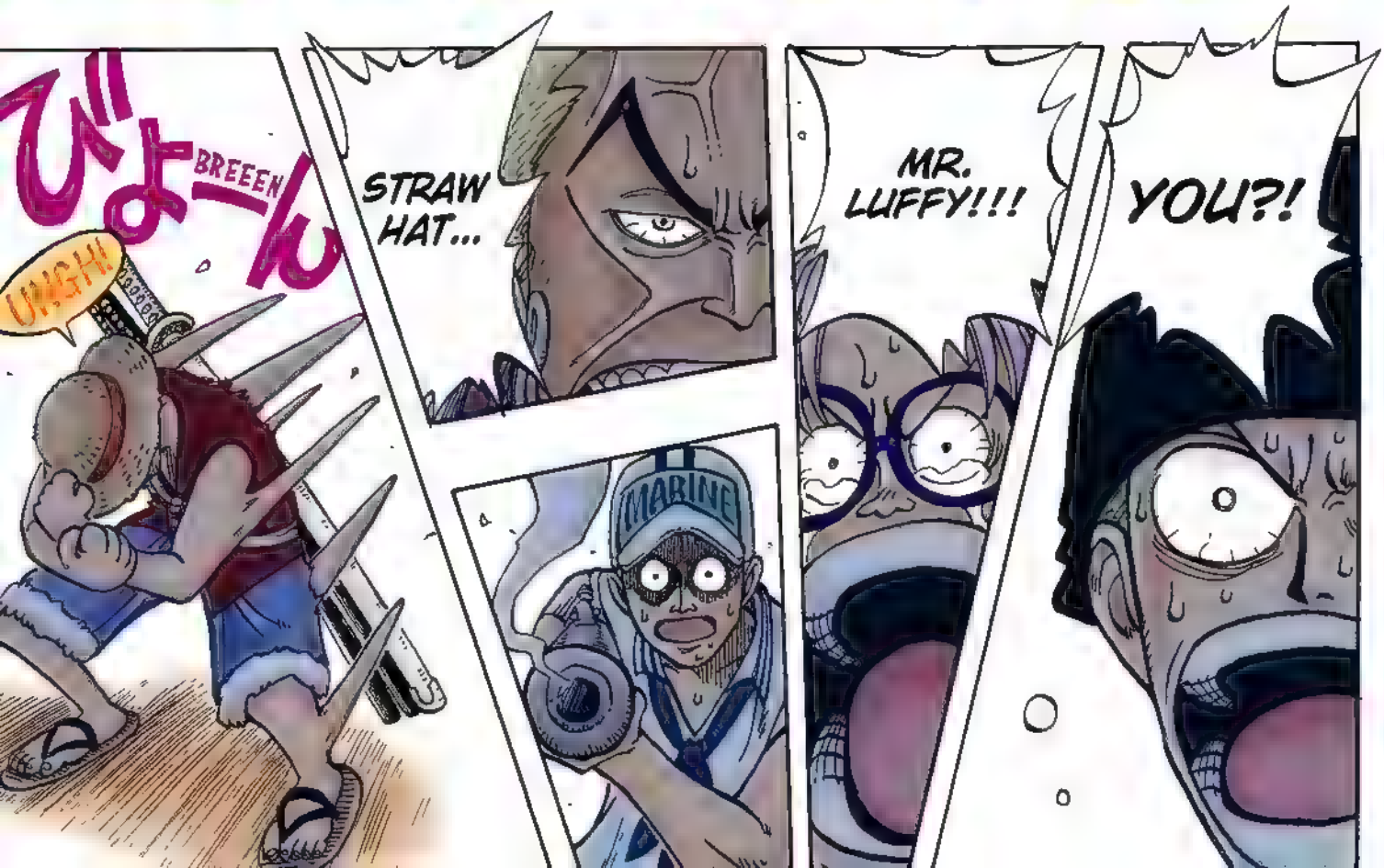
ZORO!! THERE'S BEEN AN ACCIDENT!! IT'S KUINA!!
SHE FELL DOWN THE STAIRS ...
... SHE'S DEAD !!!
ZORO! STOP IT!!
YOU CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM YOUR PROMISE !!!
DAMN IT!! YOU MADE A PROMISE YESTERDAY!!
HUMANS ARE FRAGILE THINGS, ZORO...
SENSEI!! MAY I HAVE HER SWORD?
...I SUPPOSE DO...
I'LL GET STRONG FOR HER SAKE TOO !!!
I'LL BECOME THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDSMAN SO THAT MY NAME REACHES EVEN THE HEAVENS !!!!

I CAN'T DIE YET!!!!
I PROMISED HER!!!
MARINE

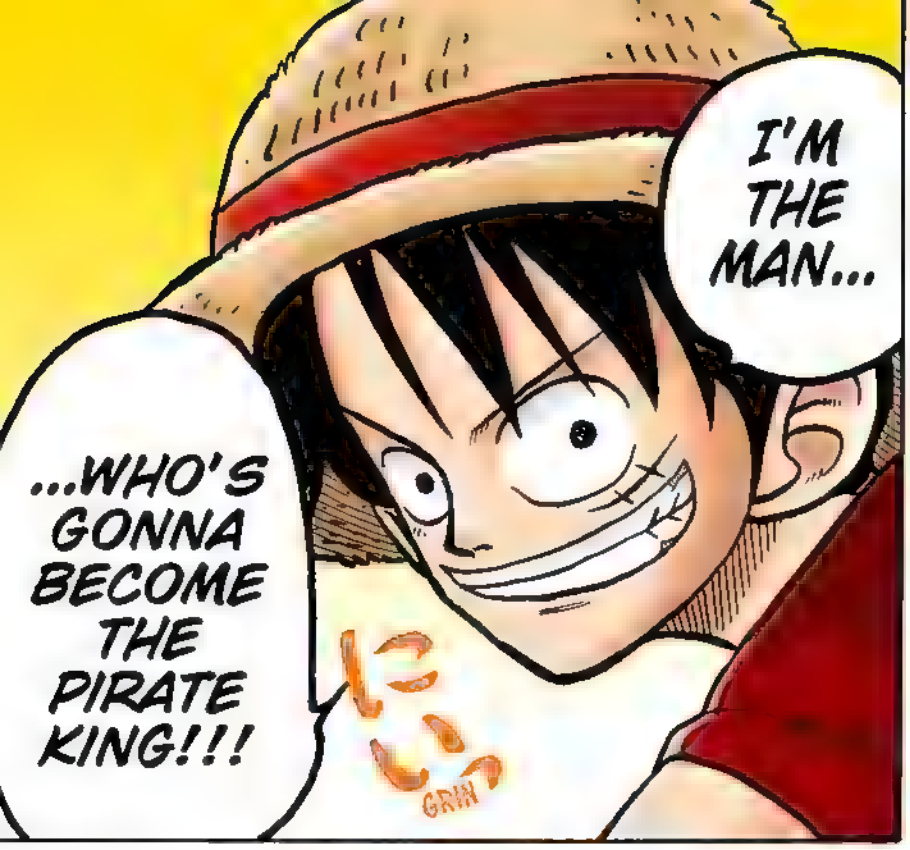

KRASH
...RO-CKET !!!
GUM-GUM...
BRREEN


BWOING
FIRE !!!
MÖW

!!!
THUD
PAP
BAP


びよーん
BREEEN
UNGH!
STRAW HAT...
MARINE
MR. LUFFY!!!
YOU?!

BR-ZING
BULLETS CAN'T HURT ME!!
LOOK OUT!!!
HA HA HA HA HA!!!
ZIP
ZING
WRRR


I'M THE MAN...
...WHO'S GONNA BECOME THE PIRATE KING!!!
GRIN

WHAT ARE YOU?!
GRG

I PRACTICE SANTORYU-- THREE-SWORD STYLE.
THEY'RE ALL MINE.

I DIDN'T KNOW, SO I BROUGHT ALL THREE...
SO, WHICH SWORD'S YOURS?

BUT I'M NOT READY TO DIE WITHOUT A FIGHT! ALL RIGHT!
YOU'RE THE DEVIL'S SON...
YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A PIRATE!!!

WHAT WOULD YOU RATHER DO, THAT OR DIE HERE?
...
IF YOU FIGHT THE MARINES HERE WITH ME, THEN THE GOVERNMENT WILL LABEL YOU A BAD GUY.

THE ROAD TO AXE-HAND MORGAN'S FIRST APPEARANCE

I created Helmeppo's character first, so my first thoughts when creating Captain Morgan were "He has to have a cleft chin and hair like Helmeppo's, only crazier—after all, he is the father."

This is what I came up with. Originally his name wasn't Morgan, it was "Chop." So his full title was "Naval Captain Chop" or "Sailor Chop." What a great name! But even I didn't have the nerve to use this name. [Editor's Note: "Sailor" in Japanese is *suihei*, and *Suihei Chop* is the name of a signature fighting technique used by the famous Japanese pro wrestler Giant Baba.]

I can't show them all here, but I actually made two or three more versions of Captain Morgan before I settled on the one used in the manga. I redesigned him to look cooler because a certain editor told me he looked "super lame".
I couldn't argue with that, so I changed his look.

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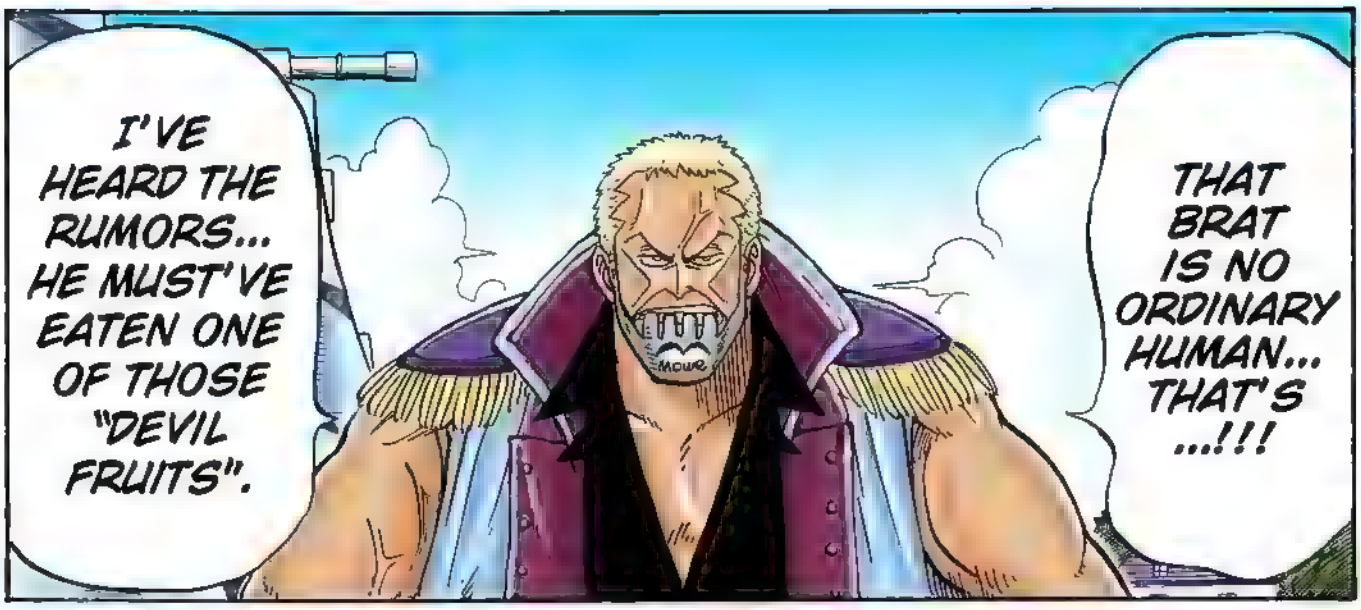
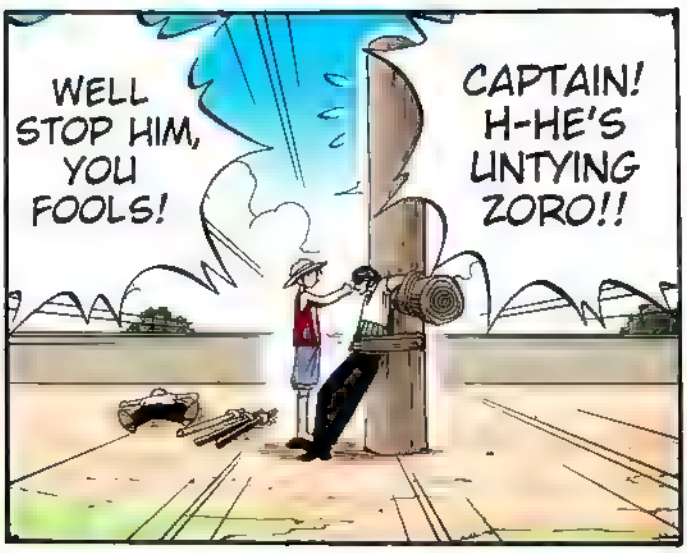
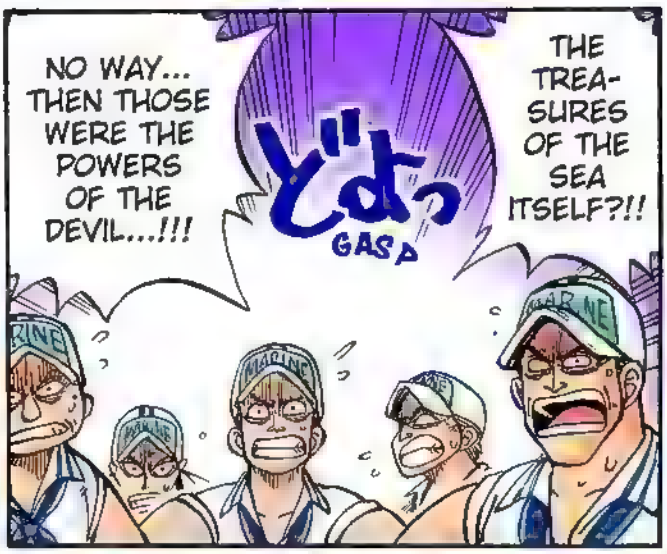
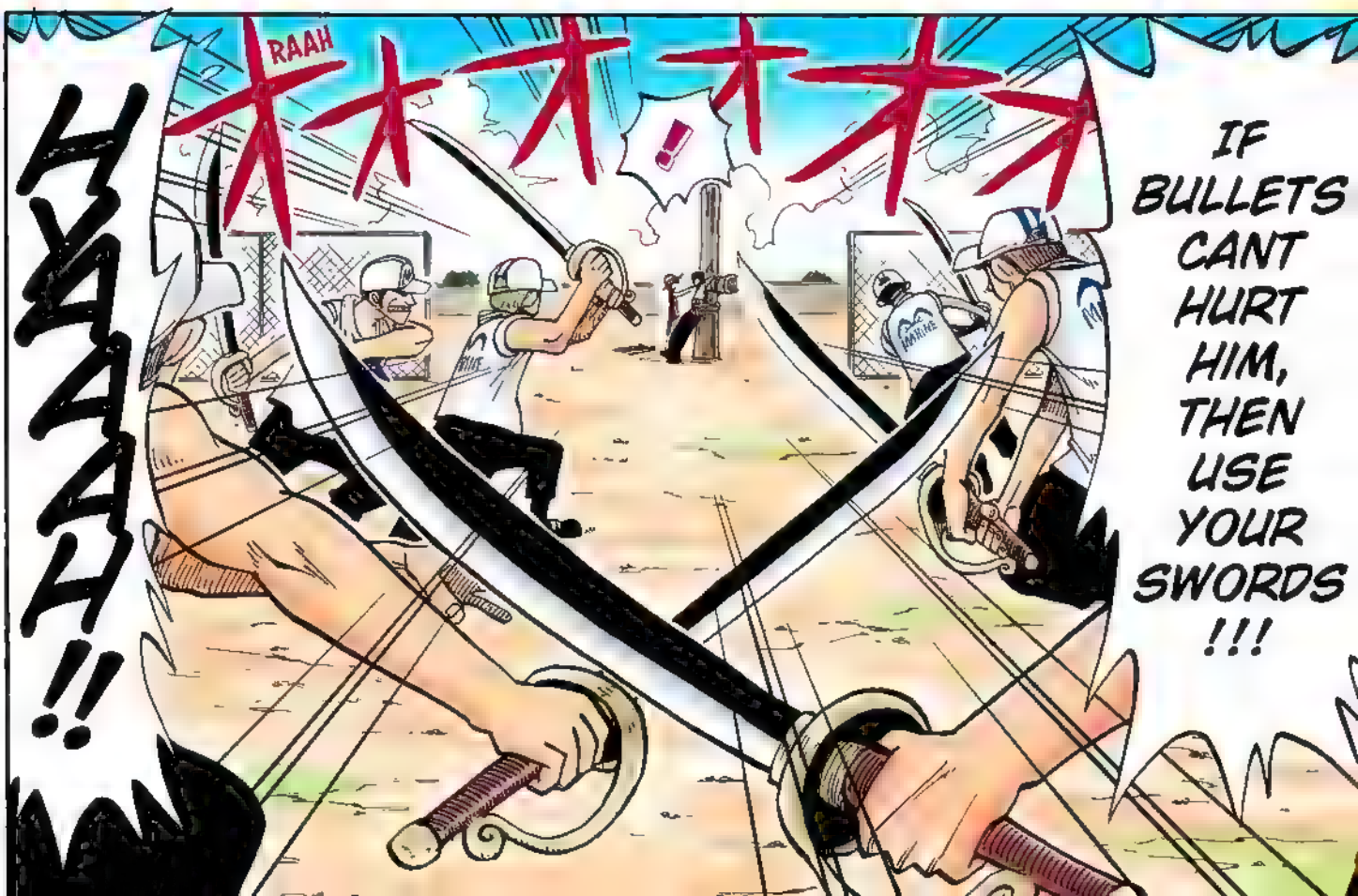
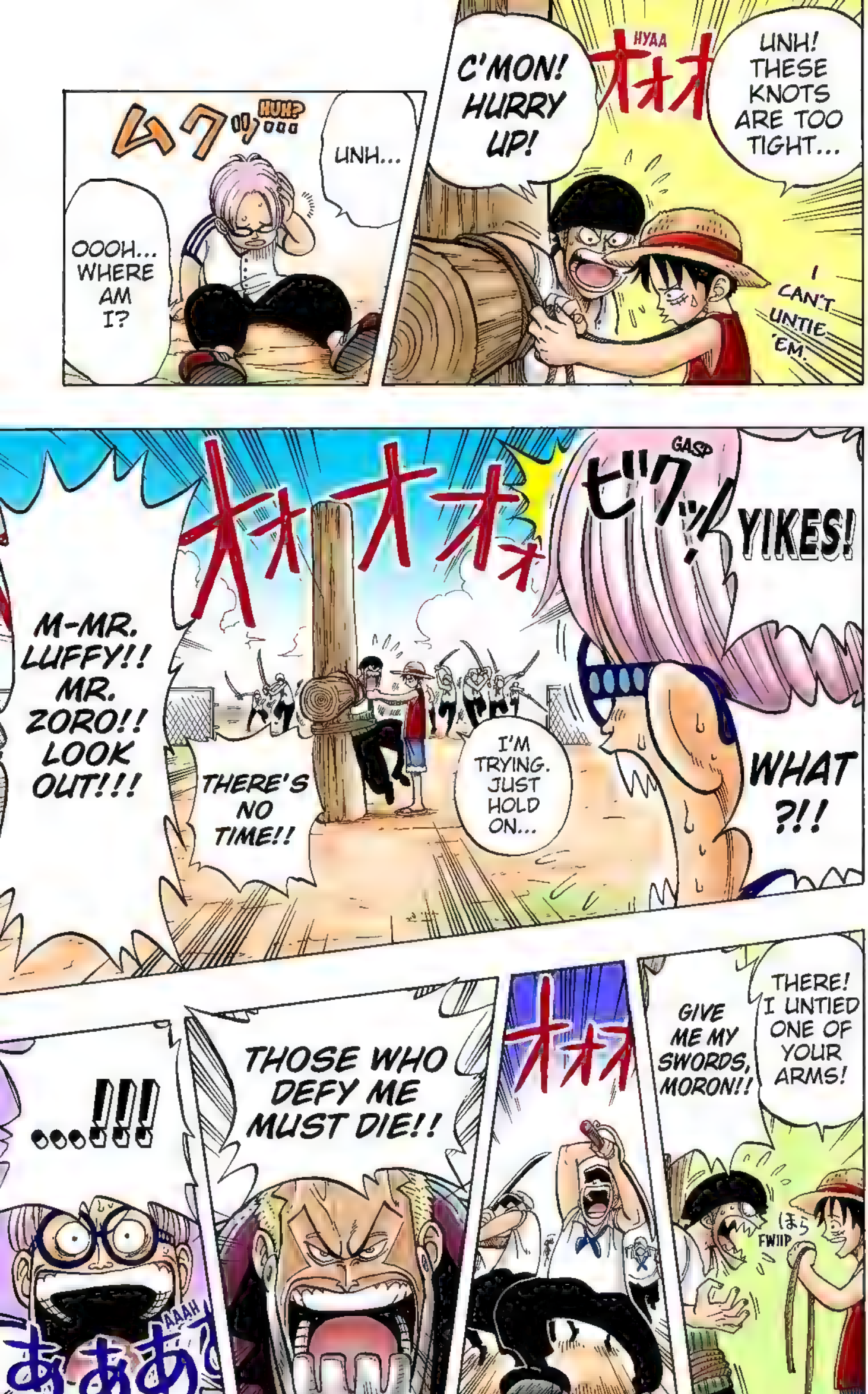
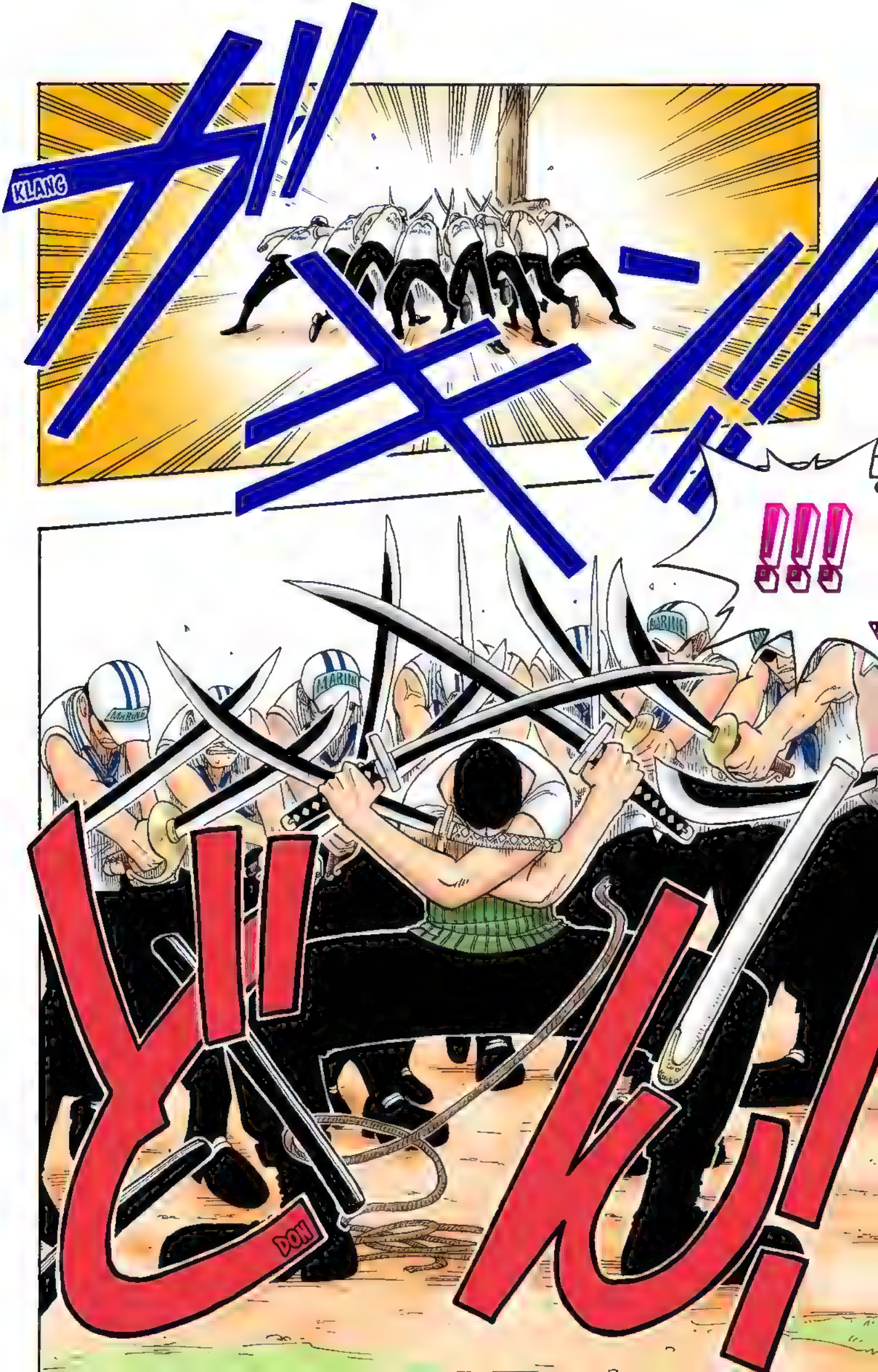

I'VE HEARD THE RUMORS... HE MUST'VE EATEN ONE OF THOSE "DEVIL FRUITS".
THAT BRAT IS NO ORDINARY HUMAN... THAT'S ...!!!

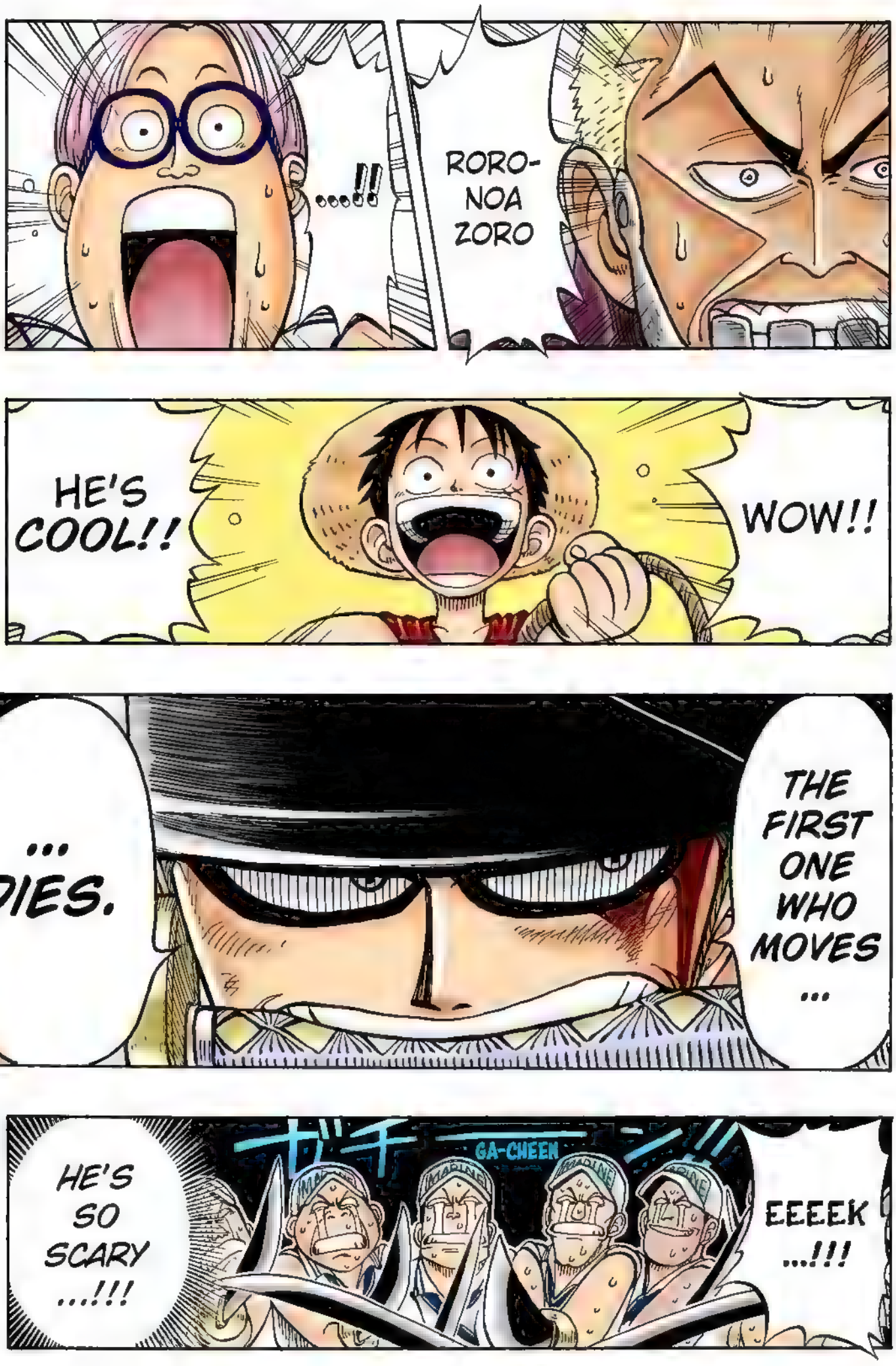

WELL STOP HIM, YOU FOOLS!
CAPTAIN! H-HE'S UNTYING ZORO!!

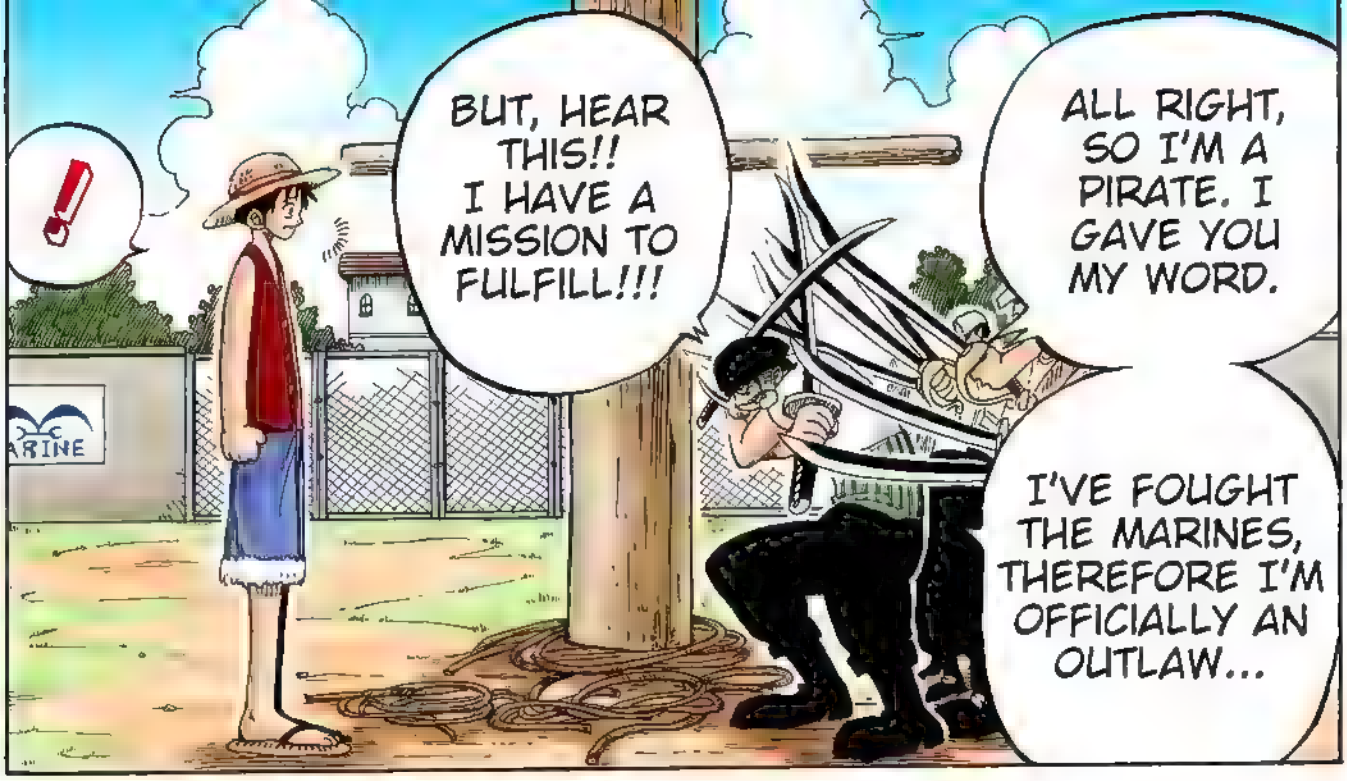

NO WAY... THEN THOSE WERE THE POWERS OF THE DEVIL...!!!
どぉっ GASP
THE TREA-SURES OF THE SEA ITSELF?!!


RAAH
オオオオ!
IF BULLETS CANT HURT HIM, THEN USE YOUR SWORDS !!!
HAAA !!

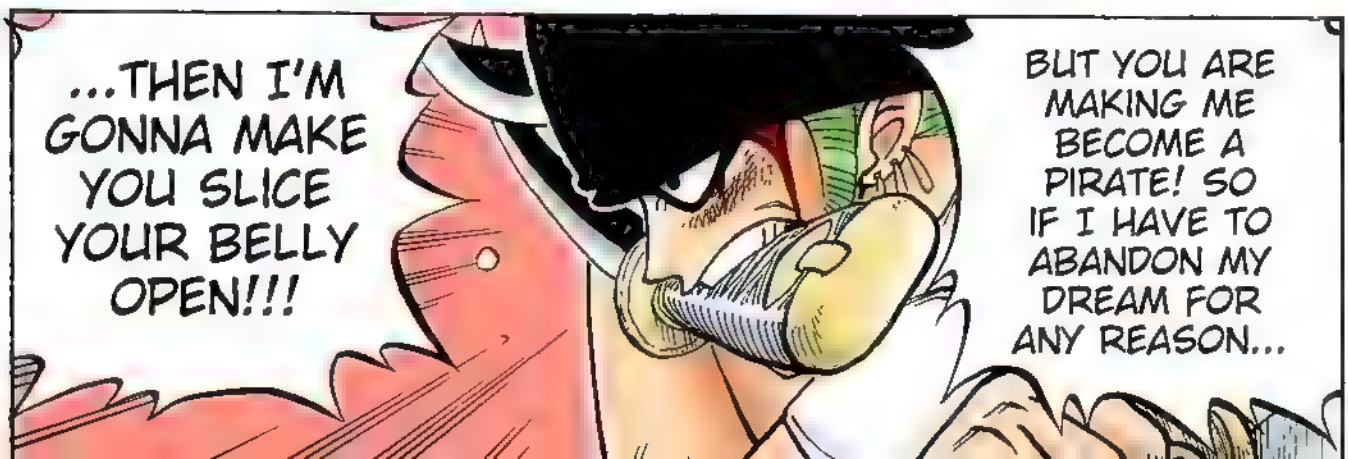

HUH?
UNH...
OOOH... WHERE AM I?
HYAA
C'MON! HURRY UP!
UNH! THESE KNOTS ARE TOO TIGHT...
I CAN'T UNTIE 'EM.
GASP
YIKES!
M-MR. LUFFY!! MR. ZORO!! LOOK OUT!!!
THERE'S NO TIME!!
I'M TRYING. JUST HOLD ON...
WHAT ?!!
...!!!
AAAH
THOSE WHO DEFY ME MUST DIE!!
GIVE ME MY SWORDS, MORON!!
THERE! I UNTIED ONE OF YOUR ARMS!
FWIIP


KLANG
!!!
MARINE
DON

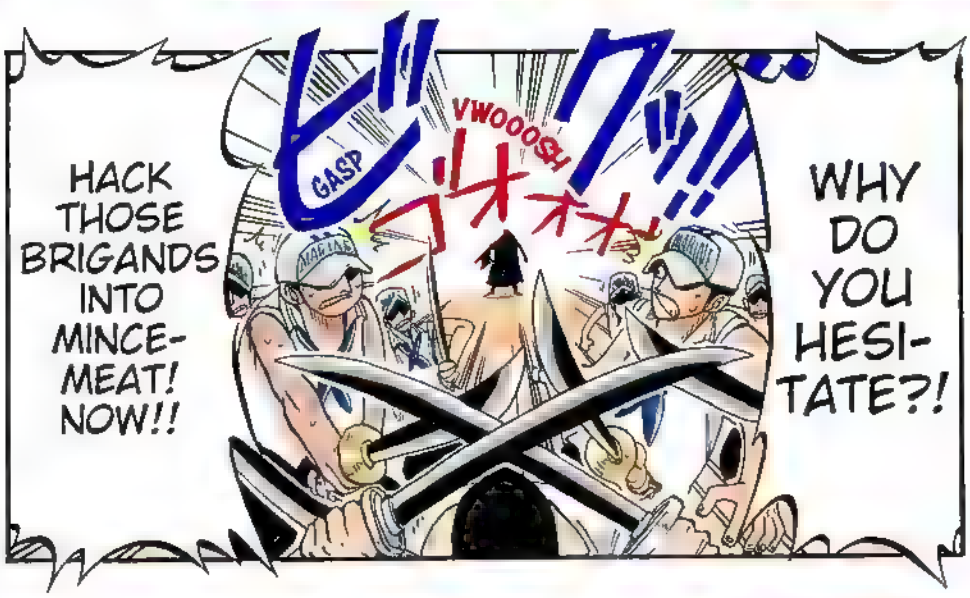

...!!
RORO-
NOA
ZORO
HE'S
COOL!!
WOW!!
...
DIES.
THE
FIRST
ONE
WHO
MOVES
...
HE'S
SO
SCARY
...!!!
ガチ
GA-CHEEN
MARINE
EEEEK
...!!!

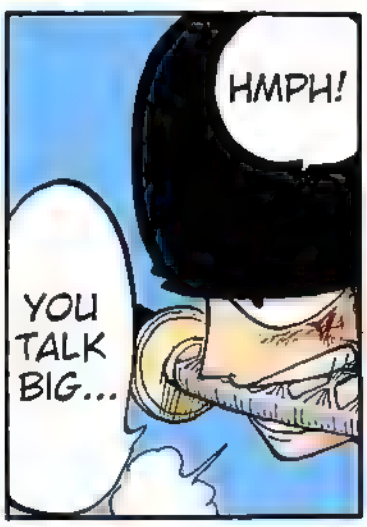

!
BUT, HEAR THIS!! I HAVE A MISSION TO FULFILL!!!
ALL RIGHT, SO I'M A PIRATE. I GAVE YOU MY WORD.
I'VE FOUGHT THE MARINES, THEREFORE I'M OFFICIALLY AN OUTLAW...

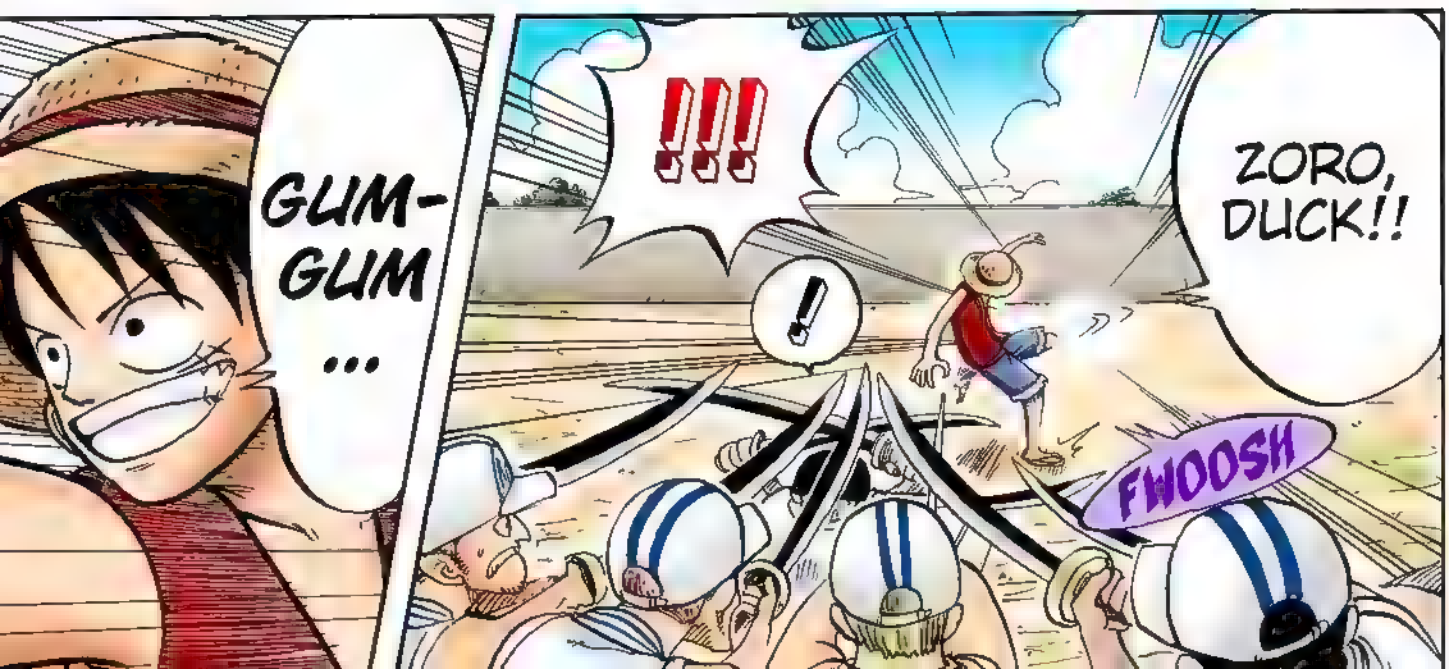
MY NAME MAY BE INFA-MOUS ...
... BUT IT'S GONNA SHAKE THE WORLD !!!
I'M GOING TO BE THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDSMAN !!!!
AT THIS POINT, I DON'T CARE WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT ME!!


...THEN I'M GONNA MAKE YOU SLICE YOUR BELLY OPEN!!!
BUT YOU ARE MAKING ME BECOME A PIRATE! SO IF I HAVE TO ABANDON MY DREAM FOR ANY REASON...

THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWORDSMAN, THAT'S GREAT!
AS A CREWMATE OF THE FUTURE PIRATE KING
ANYTHING ELSE WOULD MAKE ME LOOK BAD!


HACK THOSE BRIGANDS INTO MINCE-MEAT! NOW!!
GASP
VWOOOSH
WHY DO YOU HESI-TATE?!


HMPH!
YOU TALK BIG...


GUM-GUM ...
!!!
!
ZORO, DUCK!!
FWOOSH

SWAK

MARINE

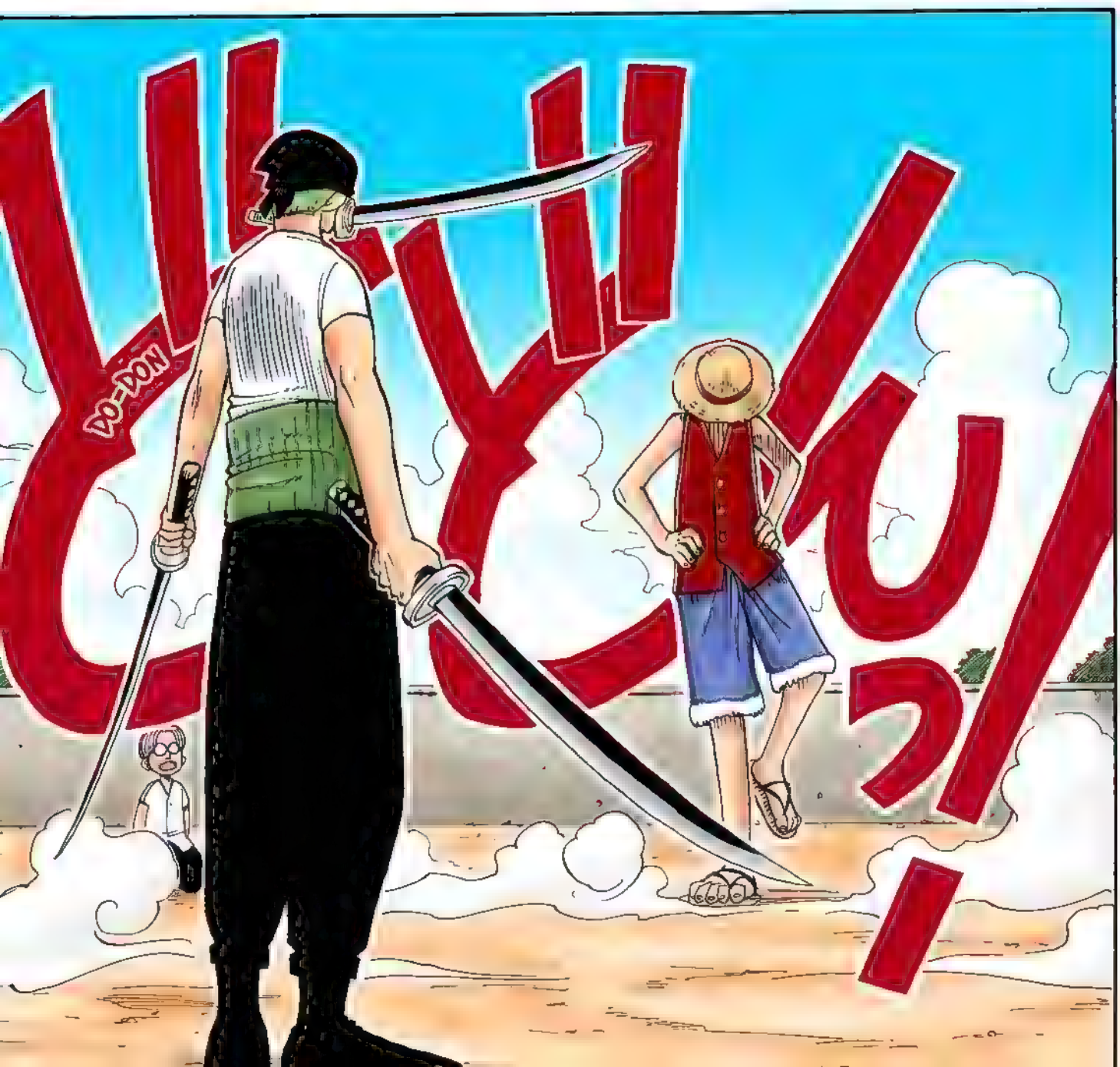
MARINE

... WHIP !!!!

gggg

?!!
JUST WHAT ARE YOU?!
INCRED-IBLE!
WOW!
I'M A...
... RUBBER-MAN.

A RUBBER-MAN?!
CAPTAIN!! THEY'RE TOO MUCH FOR US!!
...!
IT'S HOPELESS! WE CAN'T FIGHT A RUBBER-MAN...
...AND THAT DEMON RORONOA ZORO AT THE SAME TIME!!

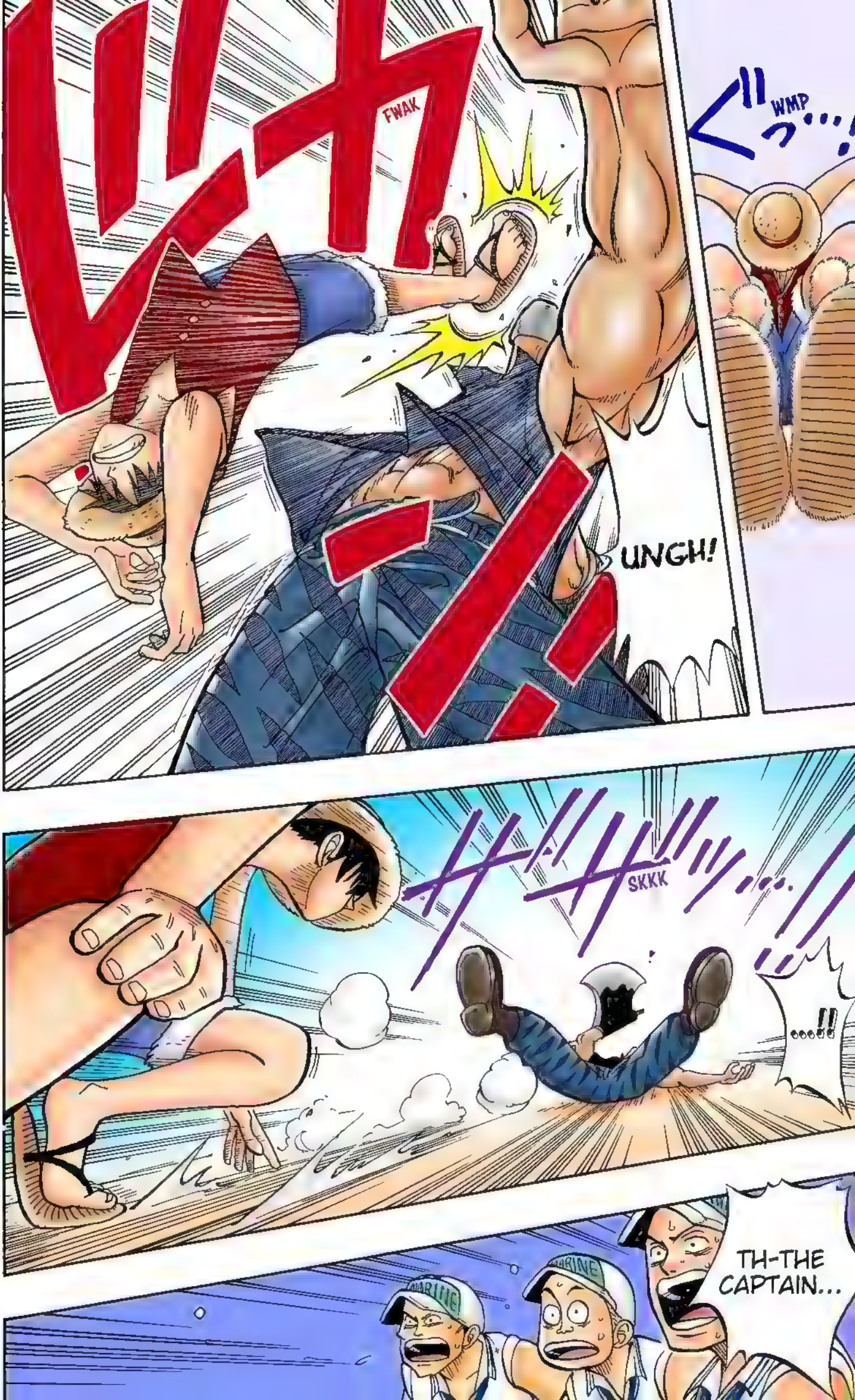

DO-DON

...WILL SHOOT YOUR-SELVES IN THE HEAD.
!!!
ALL YOU COWARDS WHO WERE WHINING JUST NOW...
CAPTAIN'S ORDERS.
MARINE
GASP
ビクッ
THAT'S AN ORDER !!!
...IN MY RANKS !!!
I WON'T TOLERATE DEFEATISTS ...
!!!
KACHAK
ガチャ・・・
MARINE
...!!

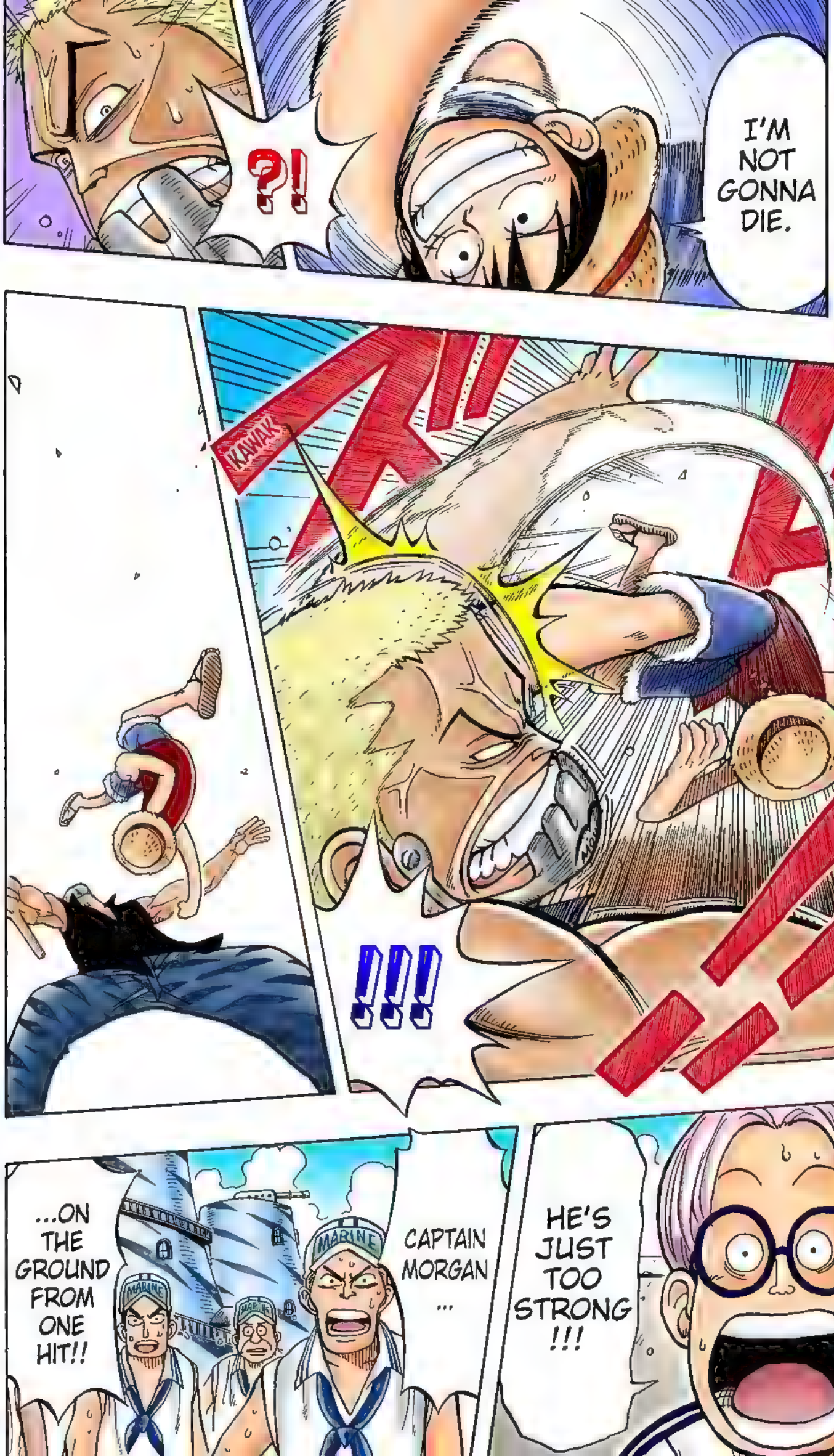
TMP
!
SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH THOSE MARINES!!!
FWISH
TRY PUTTING ME TO DEATH!!!
WHUNK
!!
HEY! I'M YOUR ENEMY...

DESTROY THESE LOUSY MARINES !!!
MR. LUFFY !!!
...!
MARINE
I'LL TEACH YOU TO DEFY YOUR BETTERS!
FWSH
HMPH! YOU HAVE NEITHER RANK NOR STATUS!
NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M LUFFY!
ROWRR!
I'M CAPTAIN AXE-HAND MORGAN !!!

WHOOSH
DIE!!
SLISH
!!!
THAT'S SHARP!!
WOW!

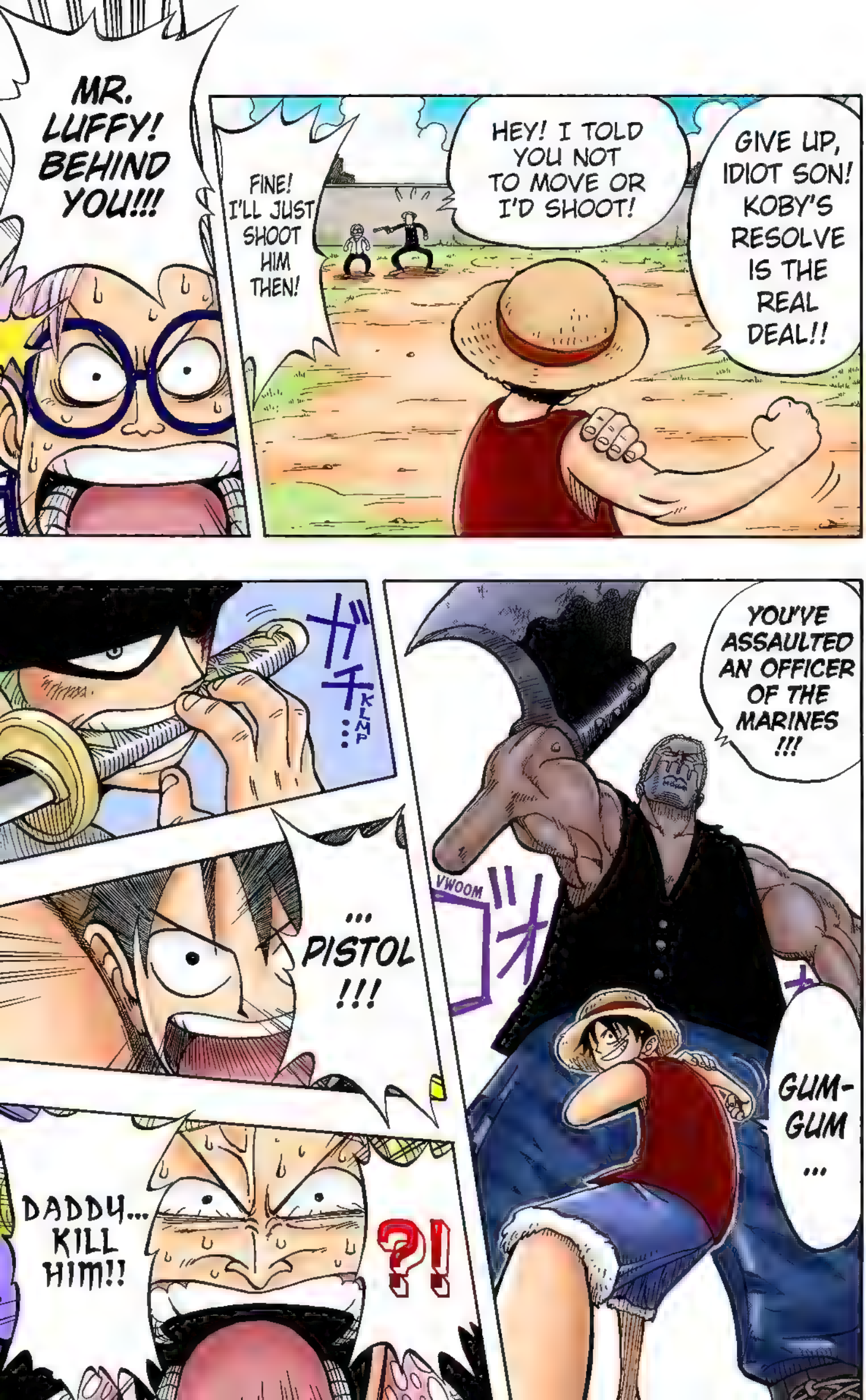

FWAK
UNGH!
WMP
SKKK
...!!
TH-THE CAPTAIN...

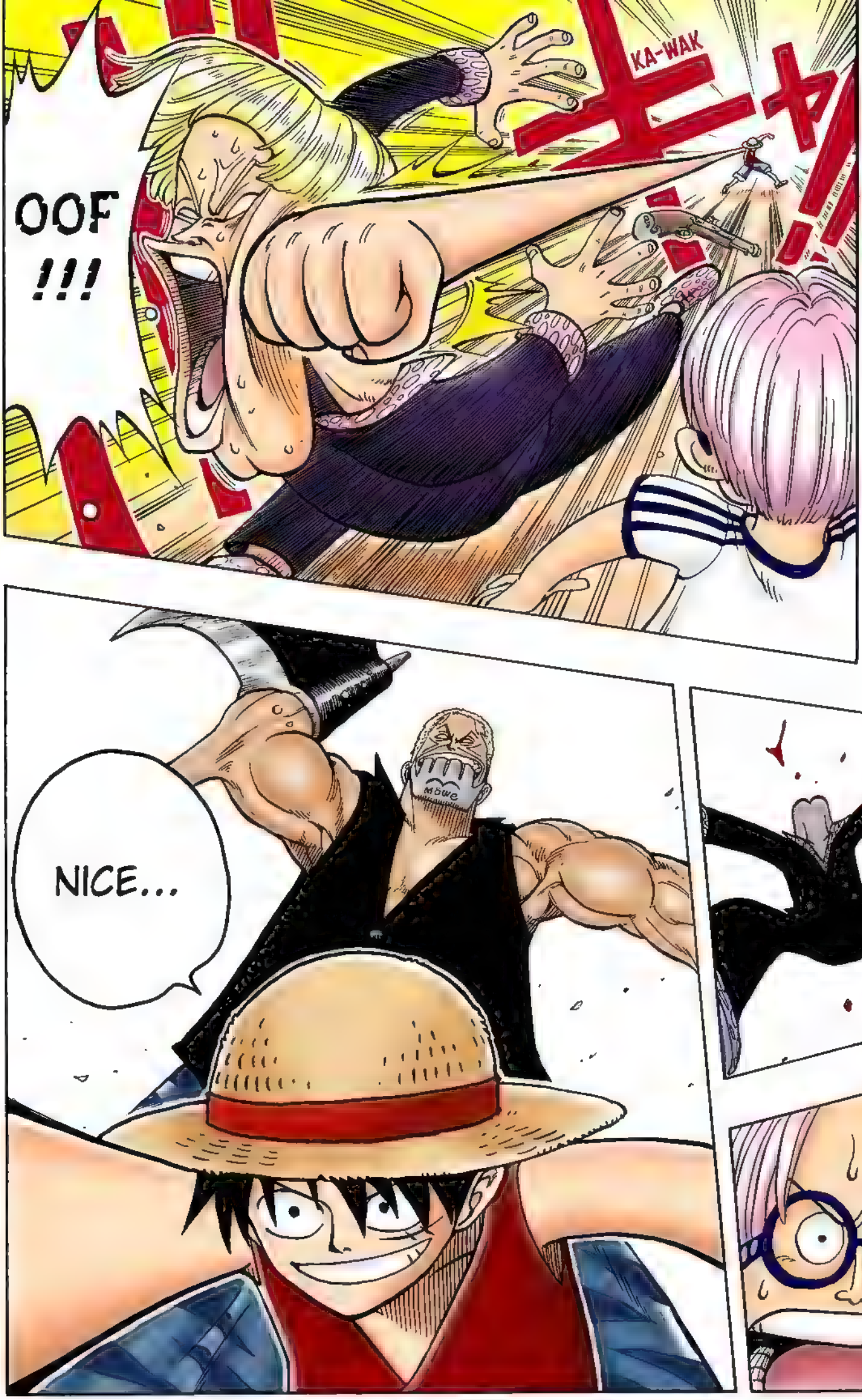
GWAAA
BOY...
!!
WHACK
I SENTENCE YOU TO DEATH!
FWOOSH...

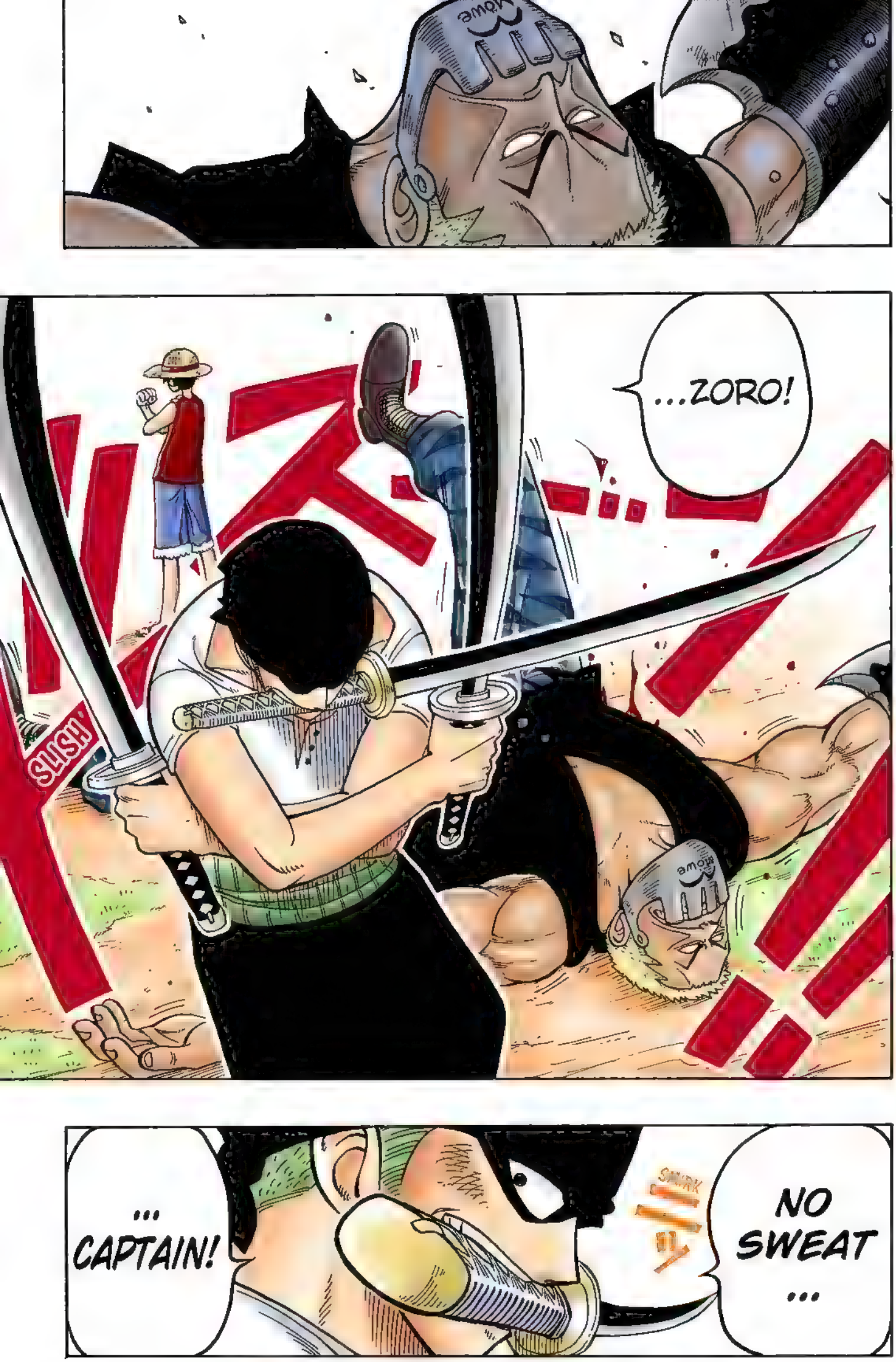

?!
I'M NOT GONNA DIE.
KAWAK
!!!
...ON THE GROUND FROM ONE HIT!!
MARINE
CAPTAIN MORGAN ...
HE'S JUST TOO STRONG !!!

ARE RUINING KOBY'S DREAM!
!!!
YOU AND YOUR MARINES ...
GRB
STOP!!
...
I SAID STOP, YOU IDIOT!!
PAAK

HELMEPPO...!!
MARINE
HYE
HYE
ひぇっひぇっ
IF YOU EVEN BLINK, I'LL SHOOT!
ONE FALSE MOVE AND FOUR EYES GETS IT!!!
DON'T LET THEM WIN BECAUSE OF ME!
HEY! MR. LUFFY!!
YOU'RE A GOOD GUY, KOBY!
LET HIM KILL ME!!

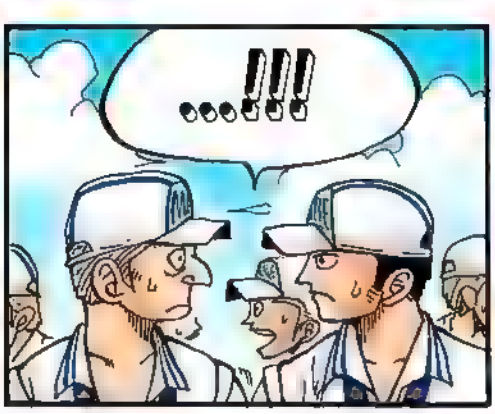

MR. LUFFY! BEHIND YOU!!!
FINE! I'LL JUST SHOOT HIM THEN!
HEY! I TOLD YOU NOT TO MOVE OR I'D SHOOT!
GIVE UP, IDIOT SON! KOBY'S RESOLVE IS THE REAL DEAL!!
ガチ KLAP...
... PISTOL !!!
DADDY... KILL HIM!!
?!
VWOOM ゴオ
YOU'VE ASSAULTED AN OFFICER OF THE MARINES !!!
GUM-GUM ...


OOF
!!!
KA-WAK
NICE...


...ZORO!
SLISH!
...
CAPTAIN!
SWIRK
NO SWEAT
...

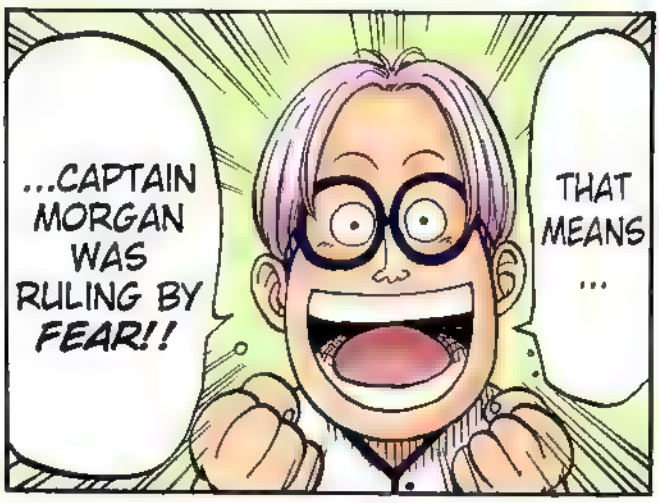
Chapter 7:
FRIENDS

CAPTAIN MORGAN HAS BEEN DEFEATED !!!
THE CAPTAIN LOST !!!
DON
MARINE
CHEEN...

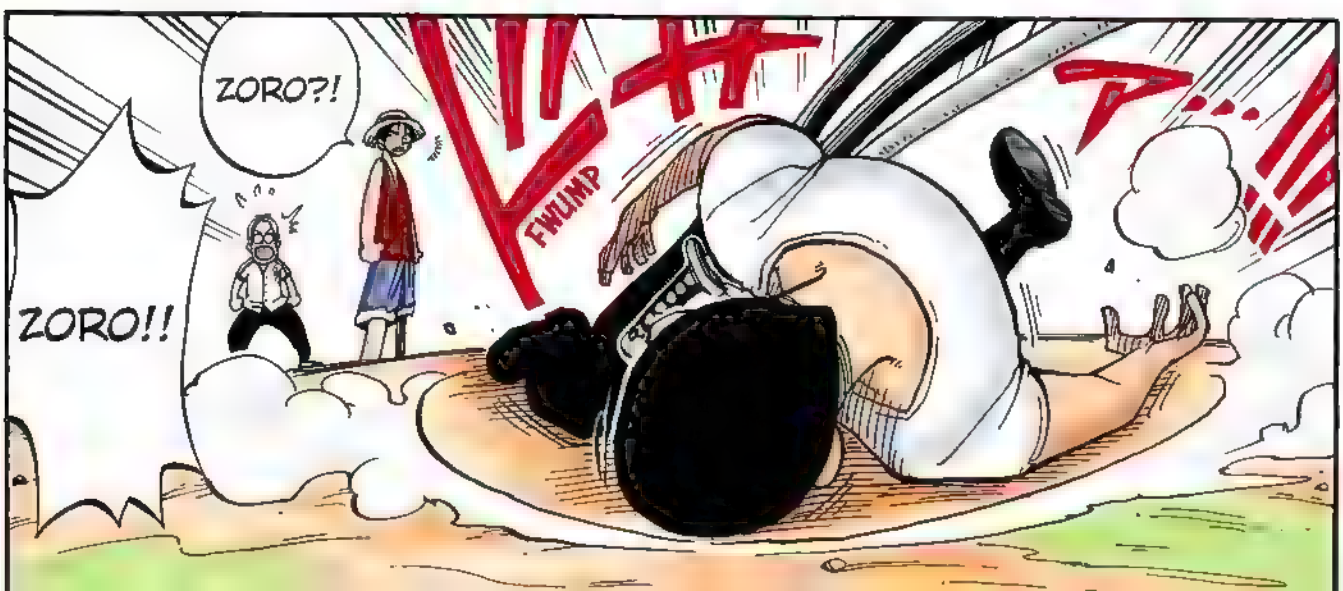

...!!!

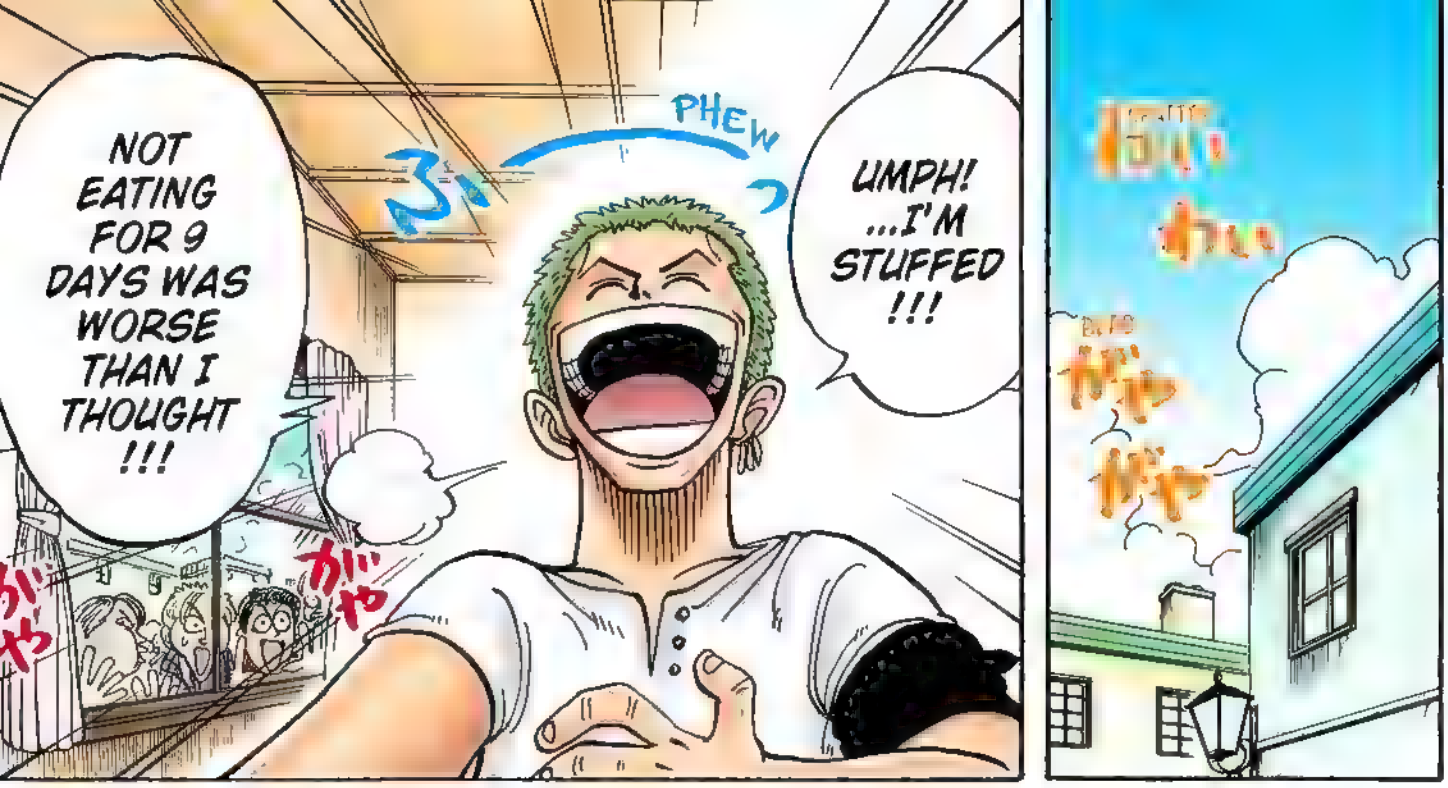
ANY OF YOU STILL WANT TO CAPTURE US?!

BANZAI FOR THE MARINES!
MORGAN'S REIGN OF TERROR IS OVER!!
WE'RE FREE!!
HOORAY!!
うおおおおおお
YEAAAAAH!


...CAPTAIN MORGAN WAS RULING BY FEAR!!
THAT MEANS ...

THEY'RE HAPPY WE DEFEATED THEIR CAPTAIN.
HMPH!


ZORO?!
ZORO!!
FWUMP
ドサァ...


NOT EATING FOR 9 DAYS WAS WORSE THAN I THOUGHT !!!
PHEW
UMPH! ...I'M STUFFED !!!
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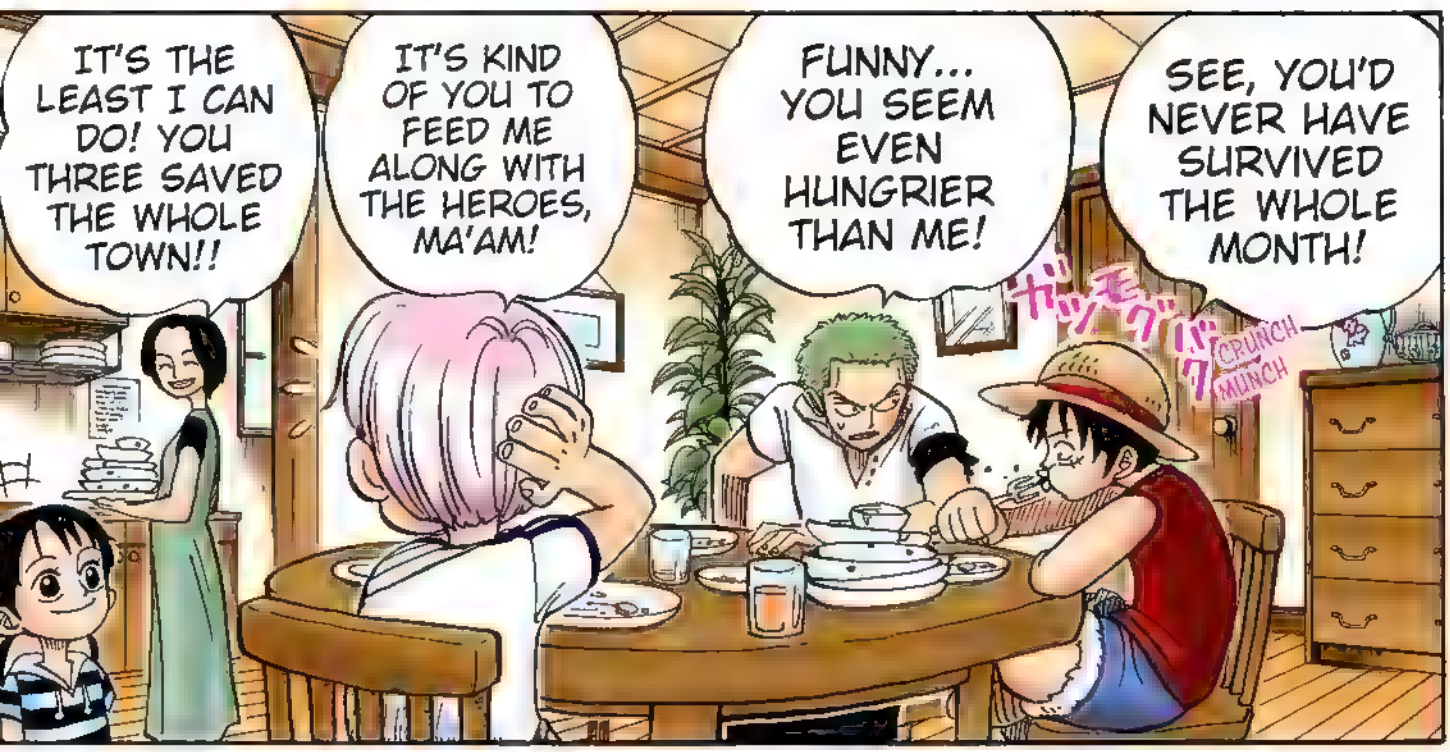
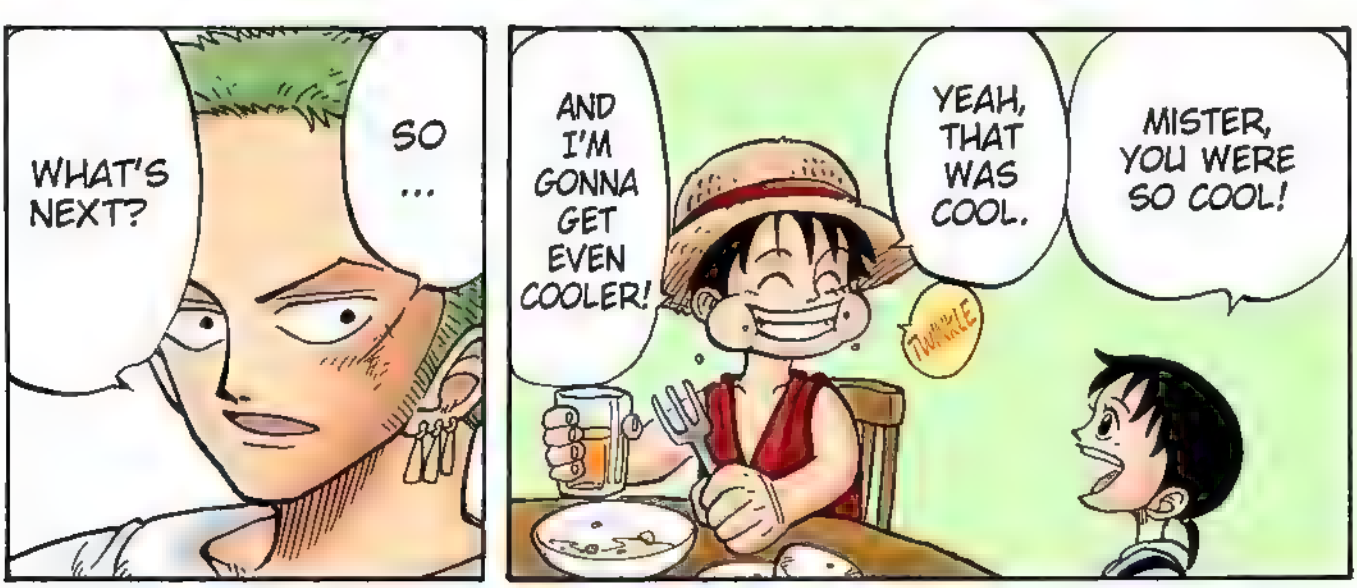
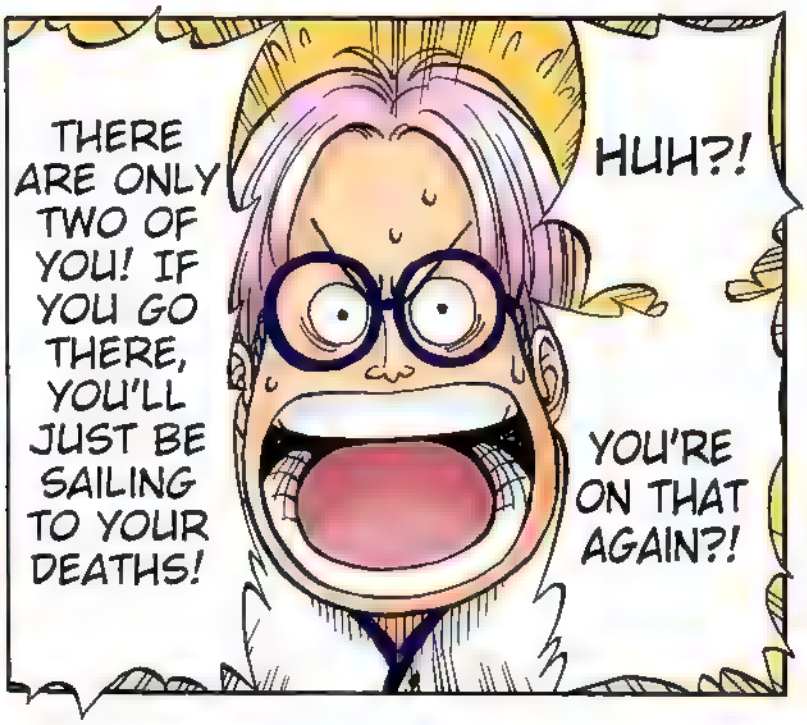
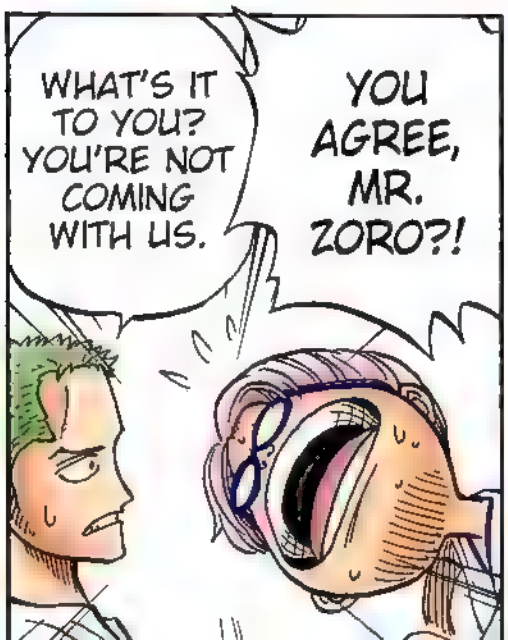

IT'S THE LEAST I CAN DO! YOU THREE SAVED THE WHOLE TOWN!!
IT'S KIND OF YOU TO FEED ME ALONG WITH THE HEROES, MA'AM!
FUNNY... YOU SEEM EVEN HUNGRIER THAN ME!
SEE, YOU'D NEVER HAVE SURVIVED THE WHOLE MONTH!
ガツモグバク
CRUNCH
MUNCH


WHAT'S NEXT?
SO ...
AND I'M GONNA GET EVEN COOLER!
YEAH, THAT WAS COOL.
TWINKLE
MISTER, YOU WERE SO COOL!

WE'RE HEADED FOR THE GRAND LINE!
?!!!

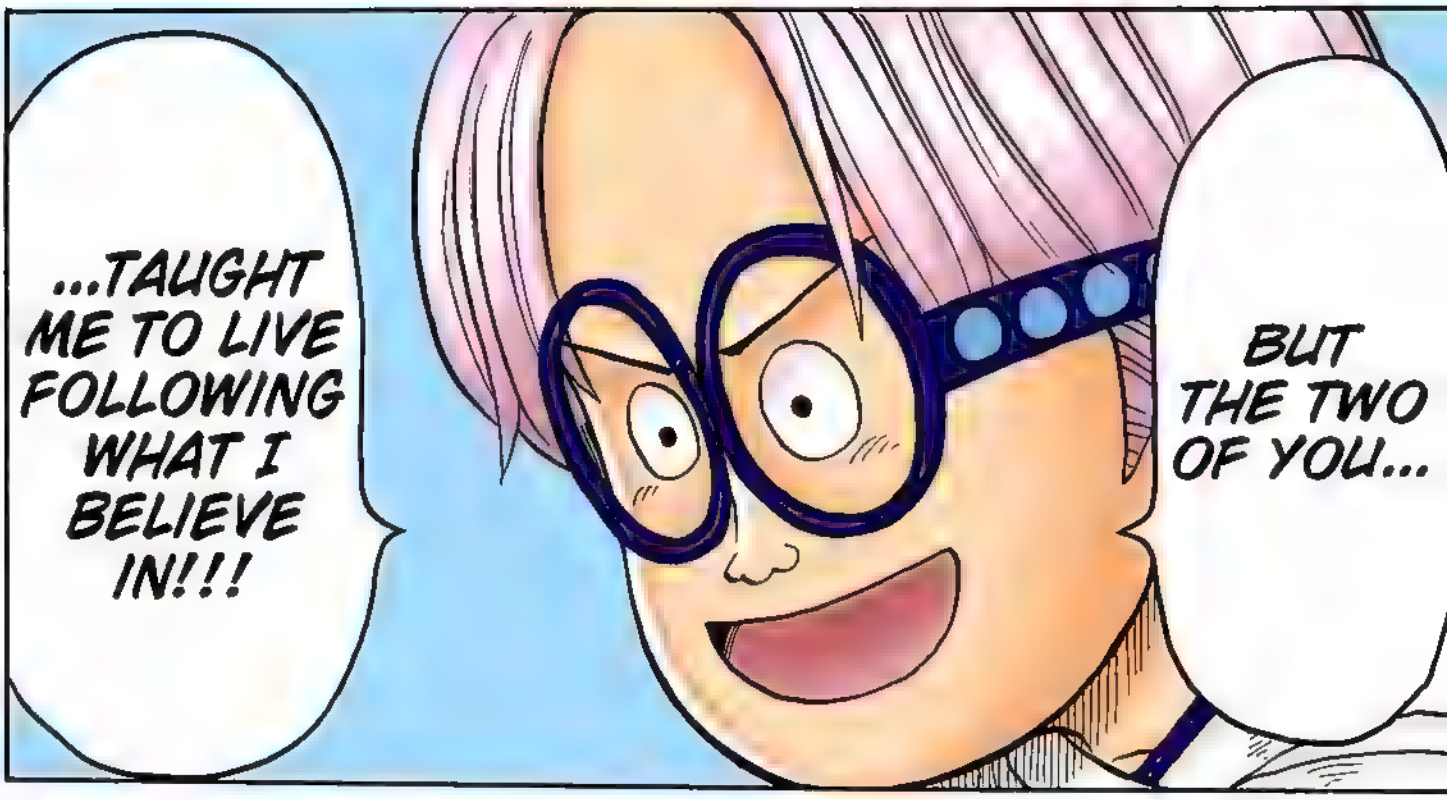
UNDERSTAND?! ALL THE STRONGEST PIRATES FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD HAVE HEADED TO THAT OCEAN!!


THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF YOU! IF YOU GO THERE, YOU'LL JUST BE SAILING TO YOUR DEATHS!
HUH?!
YOU'RE ON THAT AGAIN?!

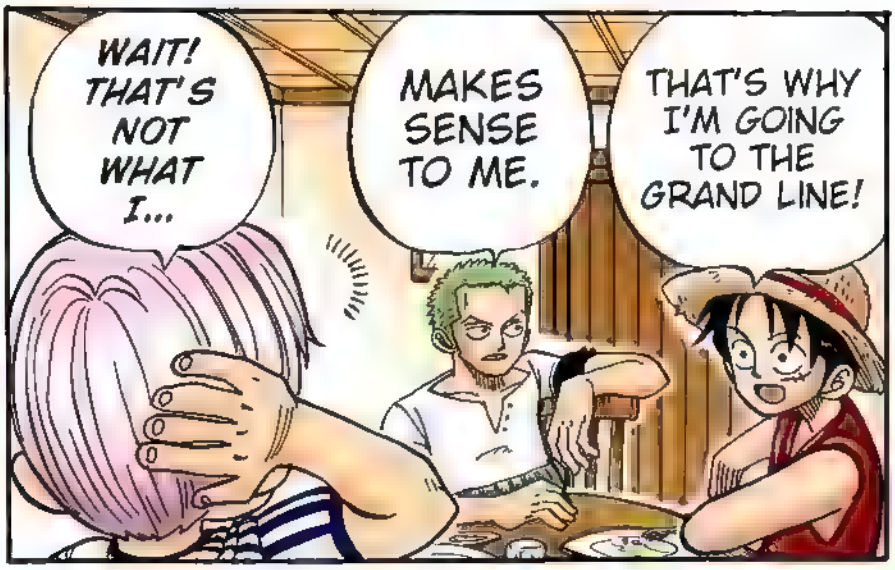

WHAT'S IT TO YOU? YOU'RE NOT COMING WITH US.
YOU AGREE, MR. ZORO?!

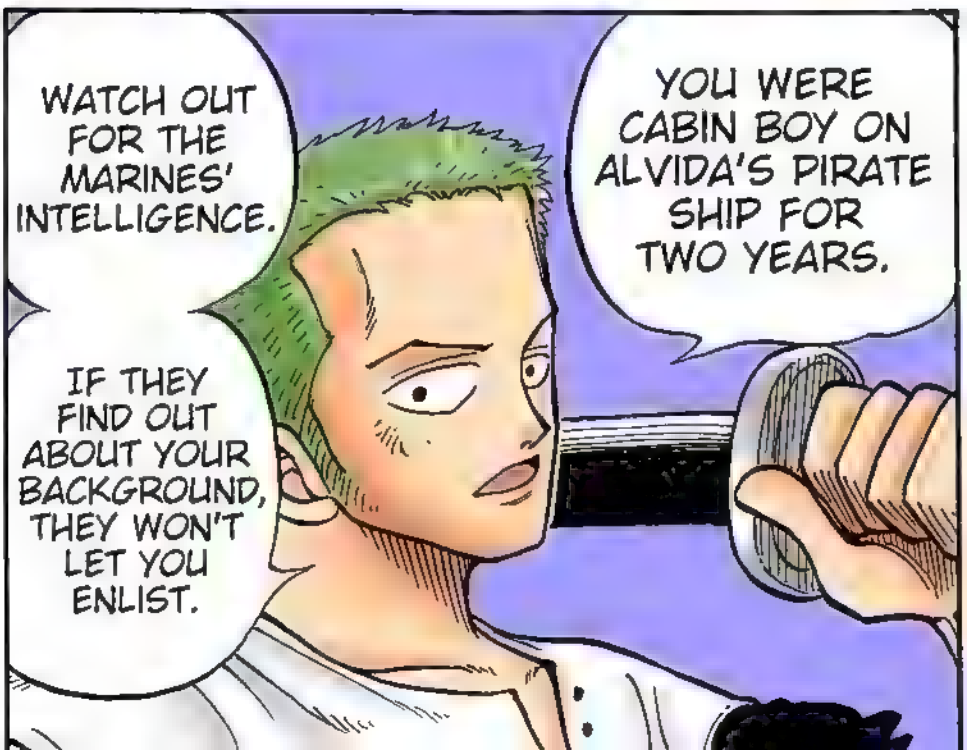
...THE GRAND LINE IS WHERE WE HAVE TO GO.
WELL, I GUESS IF WE'RE AFTER THE "ONE PIECE"...

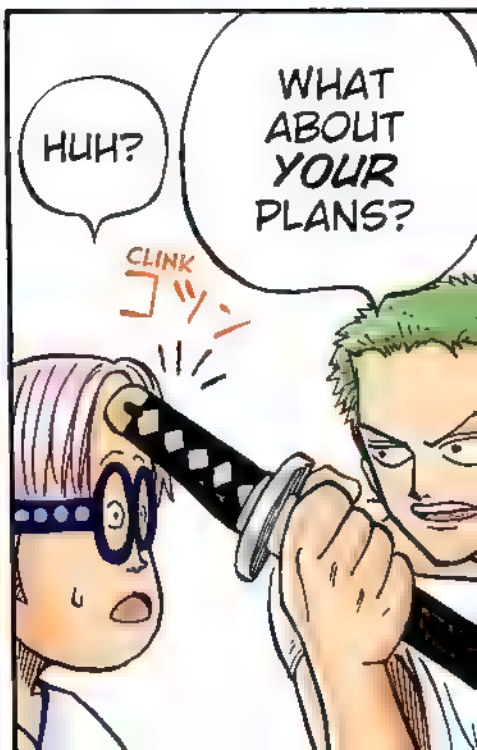
MR. LUFFY, WE HAVEN'T KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR VERY LONG, BUT...
...WE'RE FRIENDS, AREN'T WE?
!
CAN'T I WORRY ABOUT... MY FRIENDS?
ばんっ!
ばんっ!!
SLAM
NO, BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU!
THAT'S NOT WHAT I--
IS THAT SO WRONG?!
...BUT WE'LL ALWAYS BE FRIENDS !!!
WE'RE GOING OUR SEPARATE WAYS...
EVEN I WOULDN'T STICK UP FOR ME!
NO ONE ELSE EVER STUCK UP FOR ME!
YOU'RE THE FIRST REAL FRIEND I'VE EVER HAD...

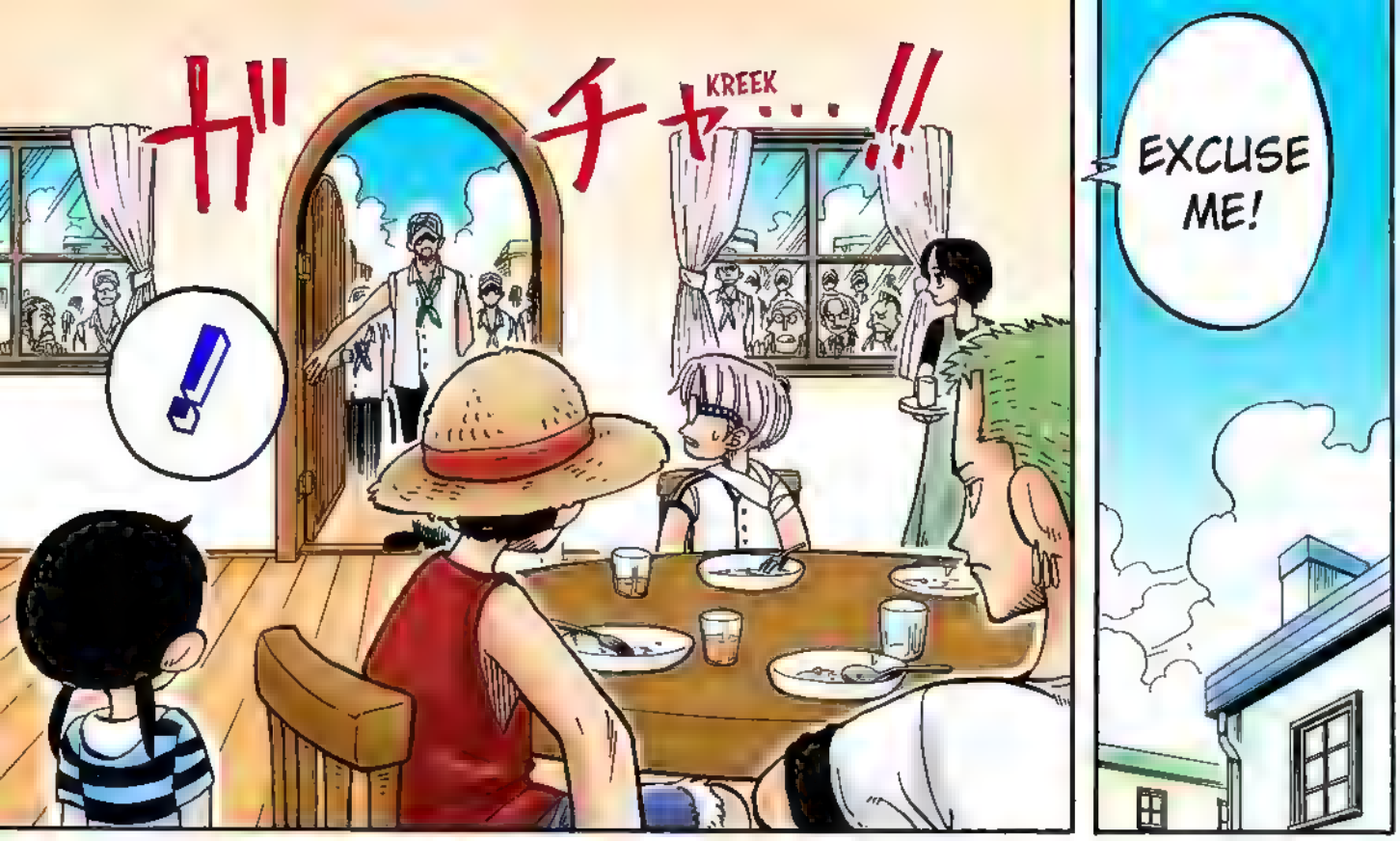

...TAUGHT ME TO LIVE FOLLOWING WHAT I BELIEVE IN!!!
BUT THE TWO OF YOU...

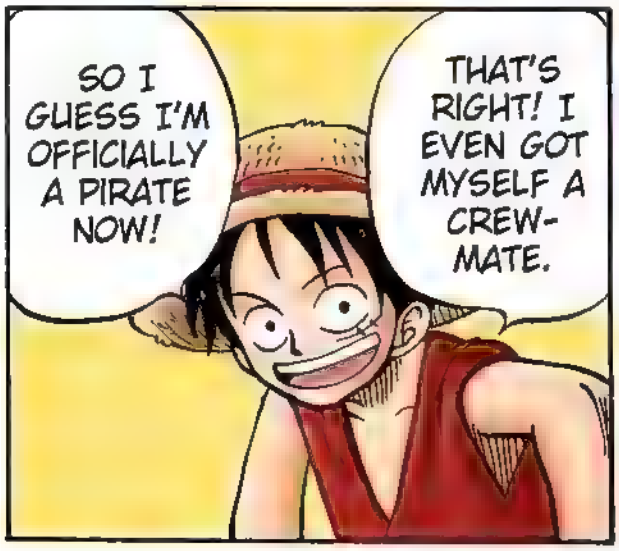
I'M TRYING TO CONVINCE YOU THAT IT'S TOO RECKLESS!!

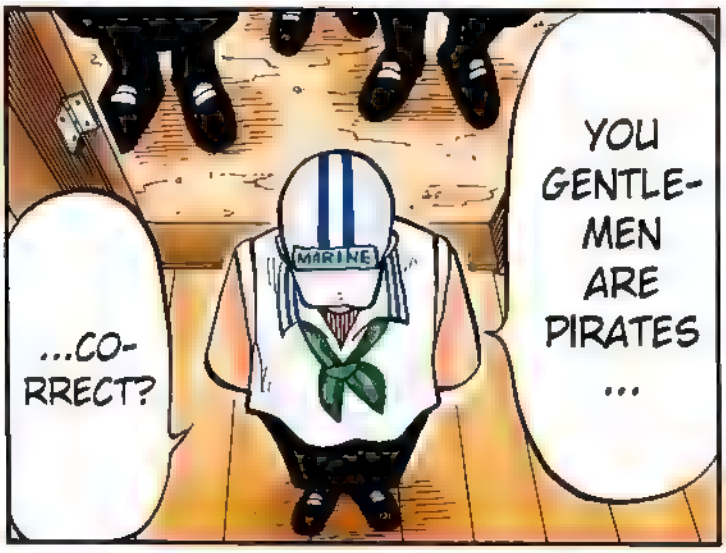

WAIT! THAT'S NOT WHAT I...
MAKES SENSE TO ME.
THAT'S WHY I'M GOING TO THE GRAND LINE!


WATCH OUT FOR THE MARINES' INTELLIGENCE.
IF THEY FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND, THEY WON'T LET YOU ENLIST.
YOU WERE CABIN BOY ON ALVIDA'S PIRATE SHIP FOR TWO YEARS.

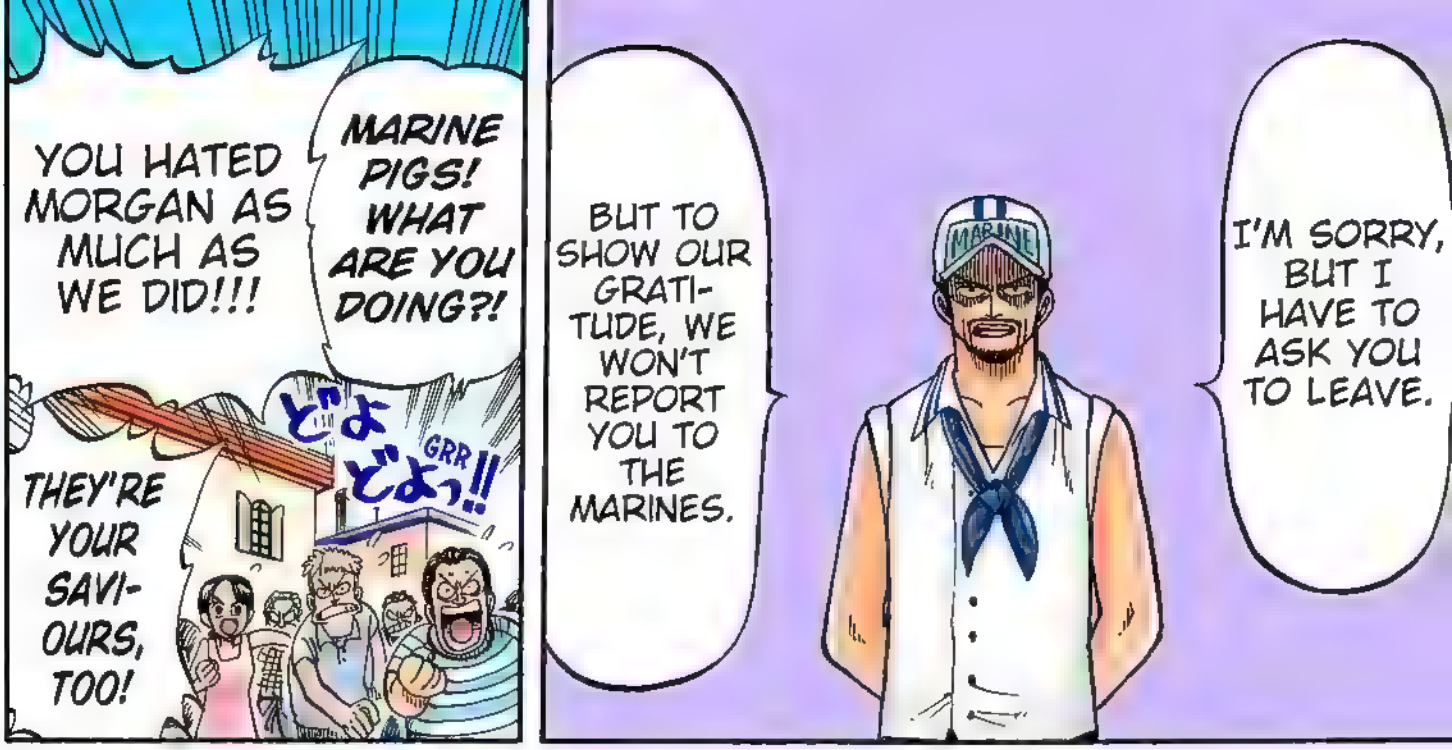

HUH?
WHAT ABOUT YOUR PLANS?
CLINK


!!
チャ KREEK...!!
!
EXCUSE ME!


SO I GUESS I'M OFFICIALLY A PIRATE NOW!
THAT'S RIGHT! I EVEN GOT MYSELF A CREW-MATE.


...CO-RRECT?
MARINE
YOU GENTLE-MEN ARE PIRATES ...

HOWEVER. WE'RE STILL MARINES...
...AND WE CAN'T SHELTER PIRATES.
YOU SAVED OUR BASE AND THIS TOWN...
...AND WE ARE TRULY GRATEFUL TO YOU.


YOU HATED MORGAN AS MUCH AS WE DID!!!
MARINE PIGS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
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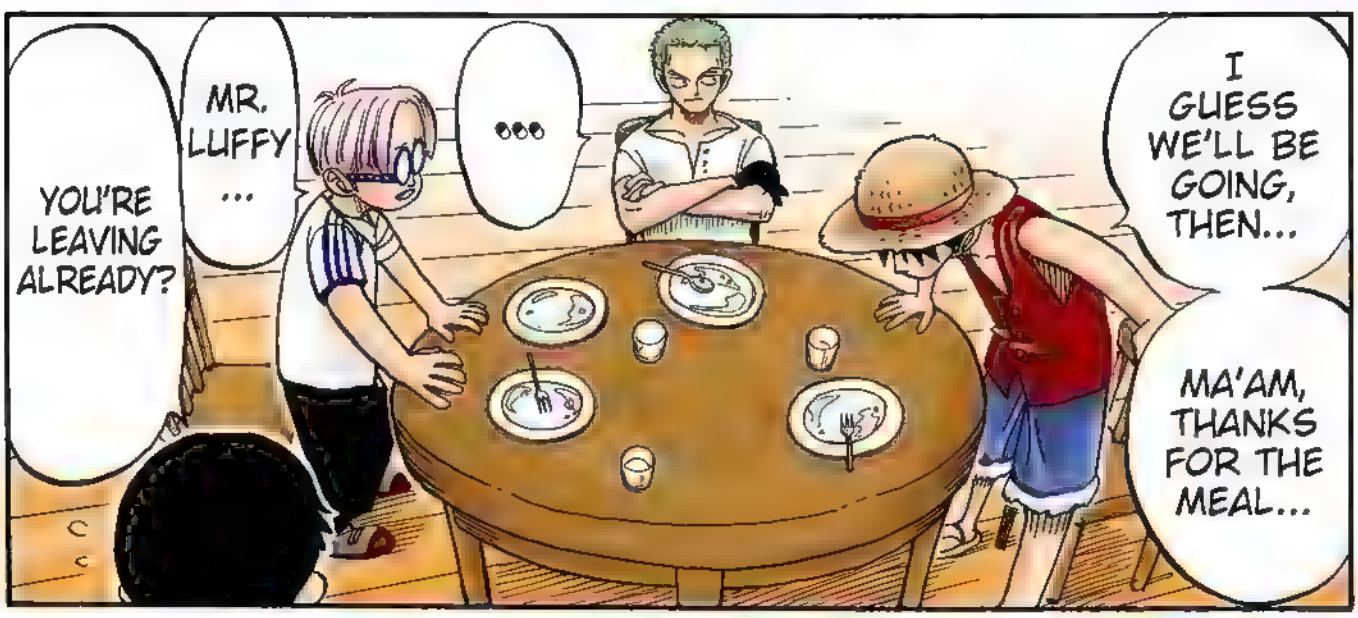
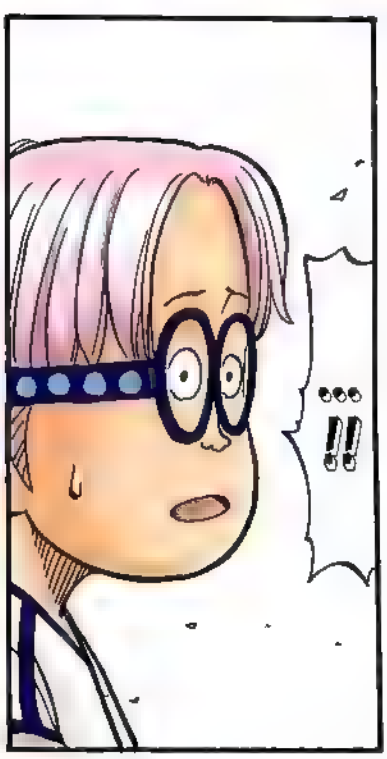
GRR!!
THEY'RE YOUR SAVI-OURS, TOO!
BUT TO SHOW OUR GRATI-TUDE, WE WON'T REPORT YOU TO THE MARINES.
MARINE
I'M SORRY, BUT I HAVE TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE.


YOU'RE LEAVING ALREADY?
MR. LUFFY ...
...
I GUESS WE'LL BE GOING, THEN...
MA'AM, THANKS FOR THE MEAL...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WSH
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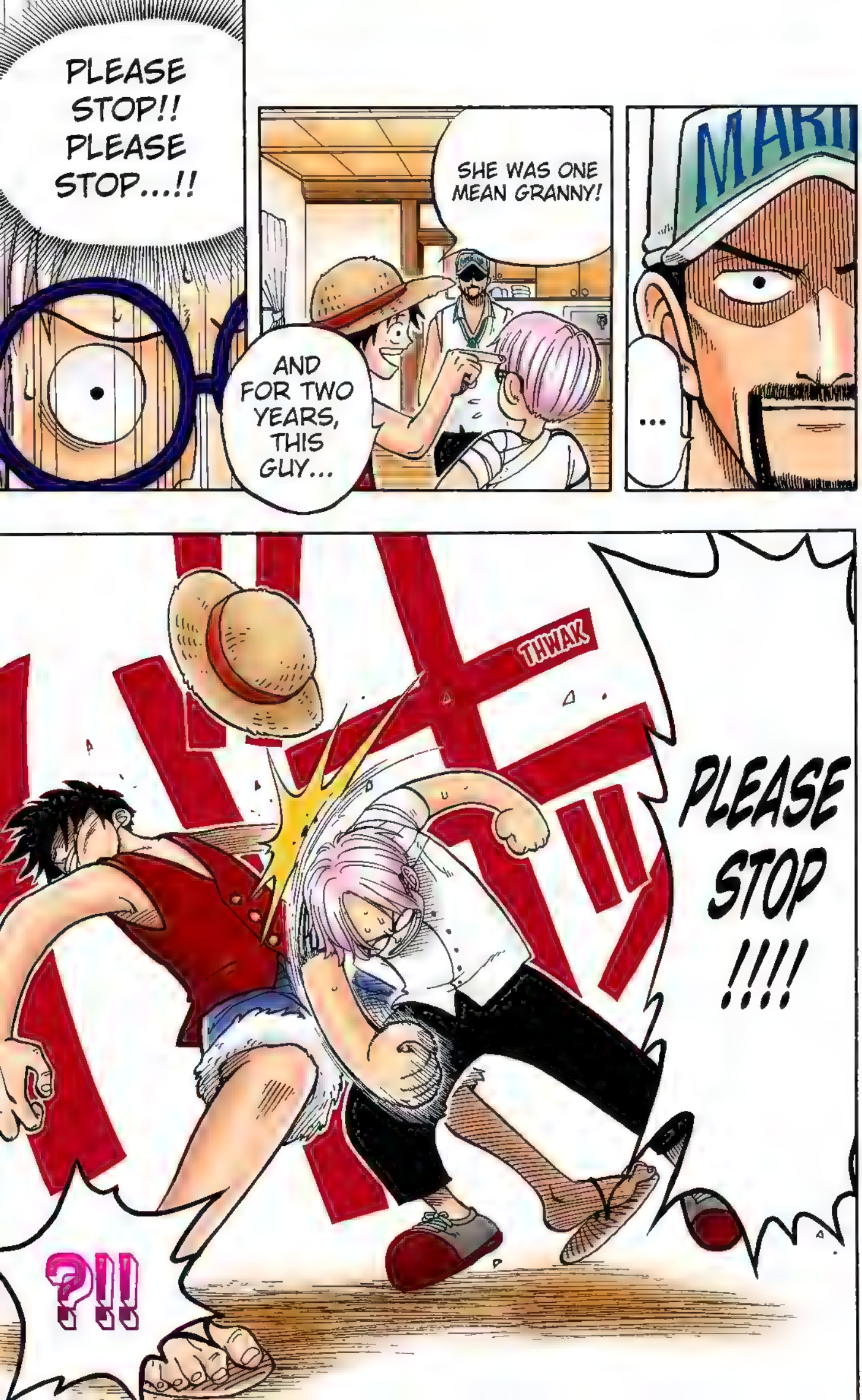
I'M...
I'M...
HUH?
AREN'T YOU GOING WITH THEM?
MARINE
I'M NOT ONE OF THEM!!!
I...
WE'RE GOING OUR SEPARATE WAYS, BUT WE'LL ALWAYS BE FRIENDS!
EXCUSE ME, PIRATES?
...!

...
IS THAT TRUE?
MR. LUFFY ...?
NO WAY HE'S...
I KNOW ALL ABOUT HIS PAST...
LET ME EXPLAIN.
IF THEY FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND, THEY WON'T LET YOU ENLIST...
WAI--
MR. LUFFY, DON'T...
...AND A PIRATE WOMAN AS FAT AS THIS!
SEE, THERE WAS THIS SECRET ISLAND...
...HER NAME WAS ALVIDA...


PLEASE STOP!! PLEASE STOP...!!
SHE WAS ONE MEAN GRANNY!
AND FOR TWO YEARS, THIS GUY...
MARI
...
THWAK
PLEASE STOP !!!!
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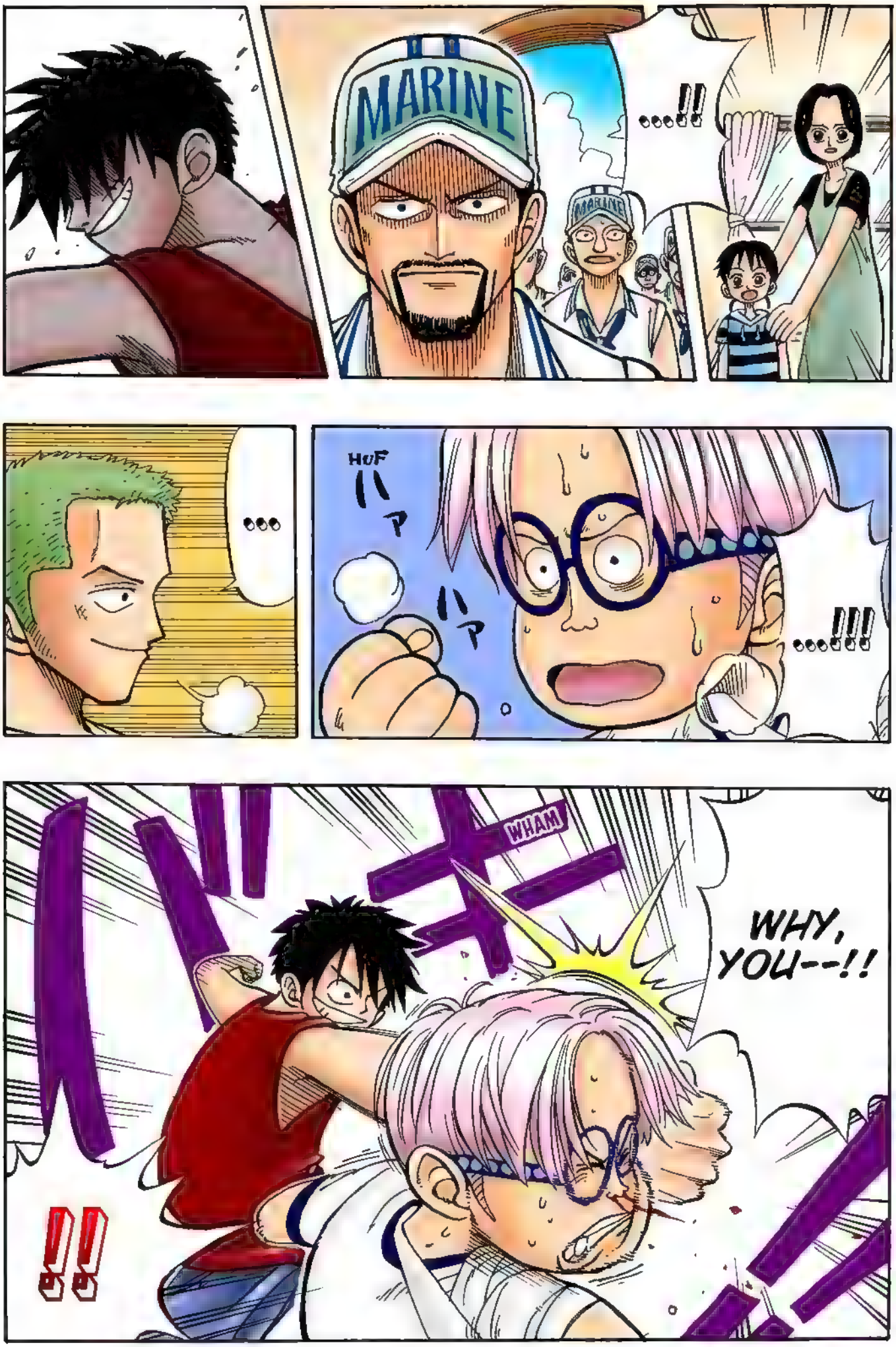
MARINE
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MARINE
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WHAM
WHY, YOU--!!
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STOP DISTURBING THE PEACE!!
ENOUGH!
!
AND THIS!!
ドカッ!!
FWAK
THWAK
バキッ!!
TAKE THAT!
BAM
ボカ!!
GRAB
ぐいっ
THAT'S ENOUGH.
HEY, HEY...
MARINE
PLEASE, LEAVE TOWN! NOW!!!
IT'S CLEAR HE'S NOT YOUR CREW-MATE!!!

DID HE GOAD ME INTO HITTING HIM?!
WAS THAT HIS PLAN?!
!!!
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CATCH US IF YOU CAN!
GASP!
ざわ
...I STILL DEPEND ON HIS HELP!!!
HE DID IT AGAIN!! IN THE END...
FWIP
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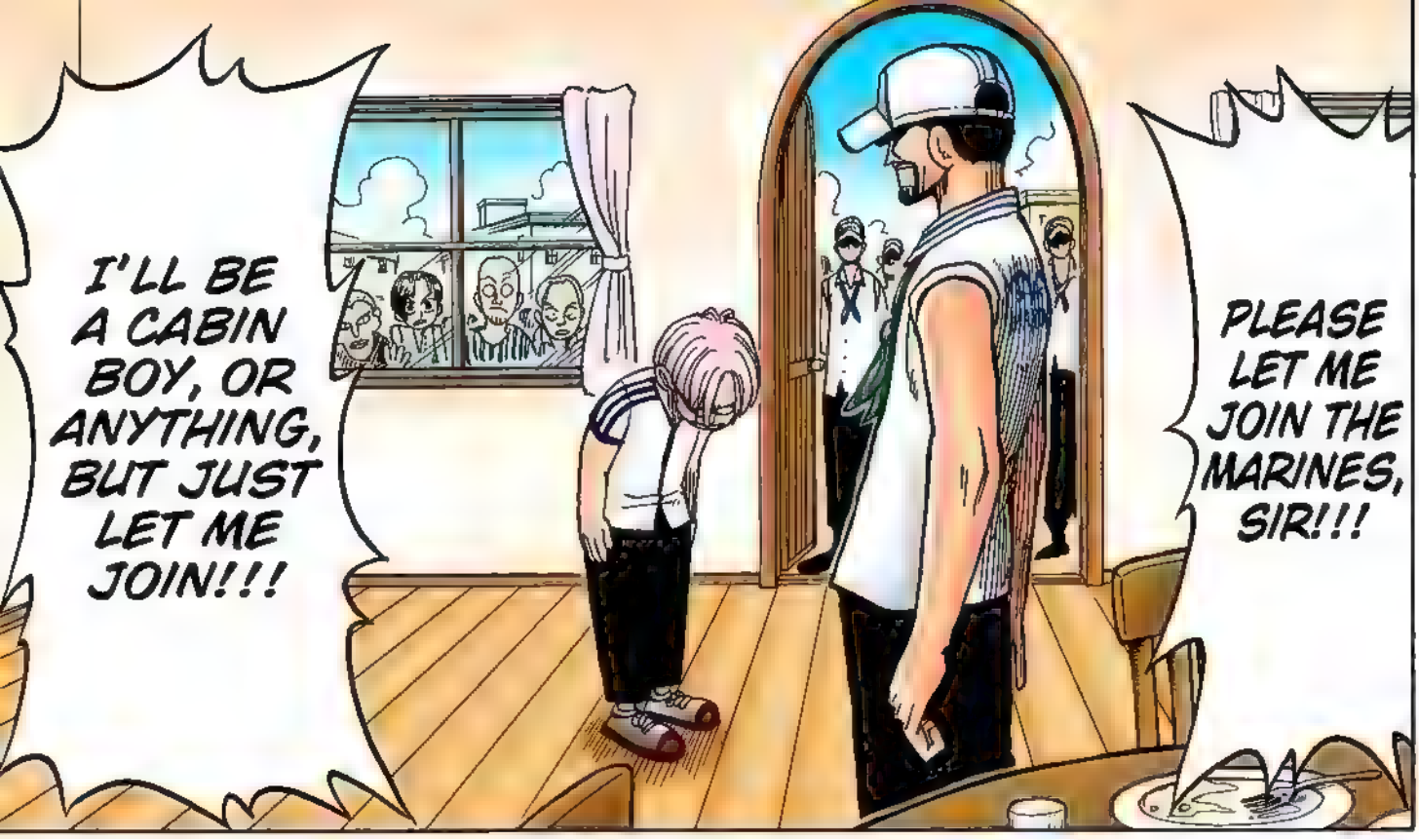
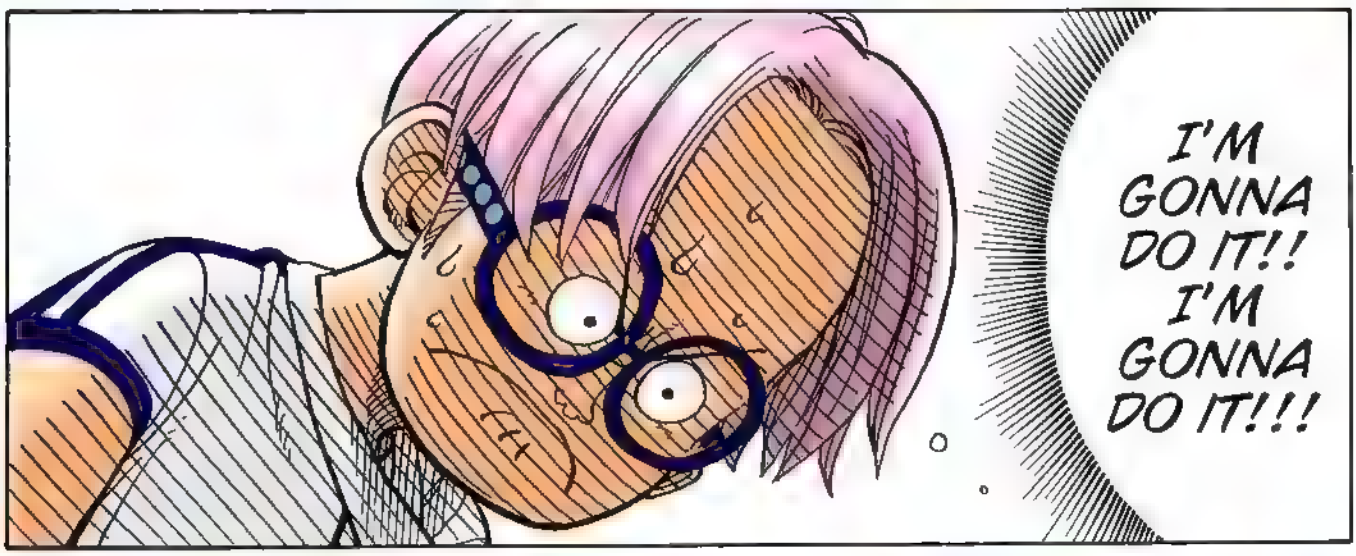
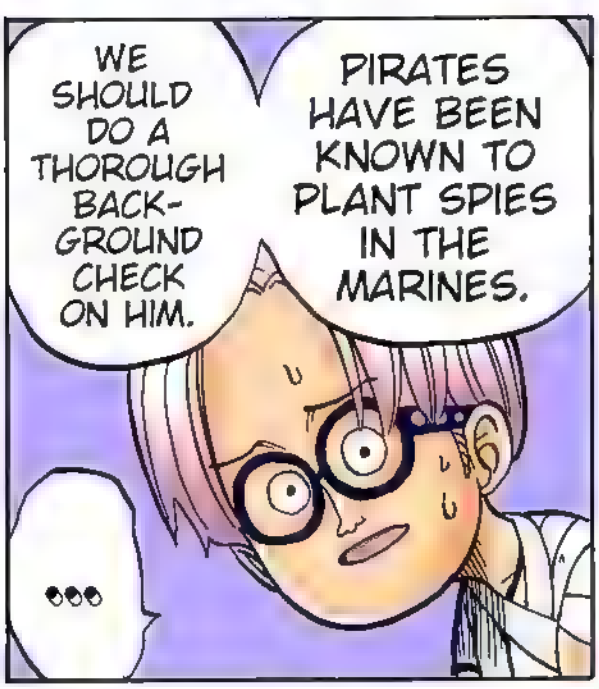
IF I DON'T DEPEND ON MYSELF FROM NOW ON, THEN I AM A LOSER!!!
HELP-LESS?!
WHAT AM I...


I'LL BE A CABIN BOY, OR ANYTHING, BUT JUST LET ME JOIN!!!
PLEASE LET ME JOIN THE MARINES, SIR!!!


I'M GONNA DO IT!! I'M GONNA DO IT!!!


WE SHOULD DO A THOROUGH BACK-GROUND CHECK ON HIM.
PIRATES HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO PLANT SPIES IN THE MARINES.
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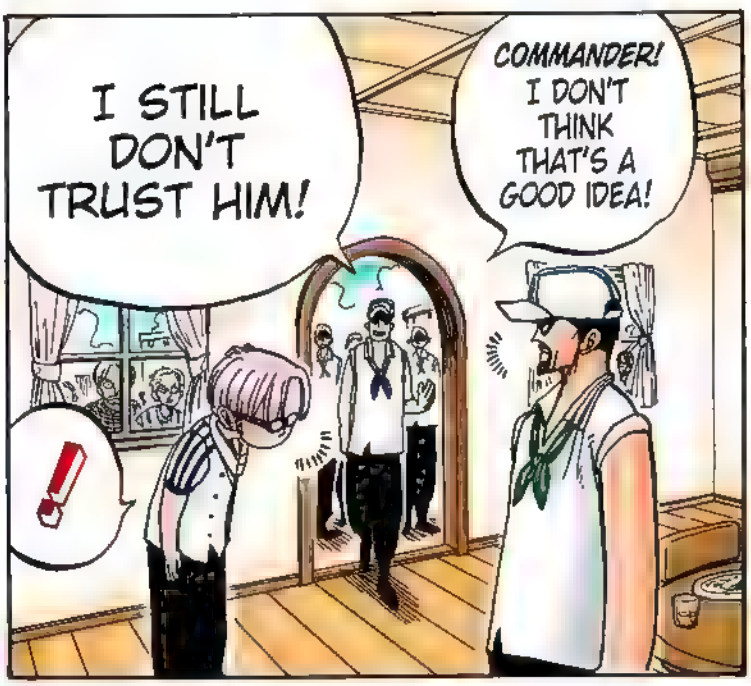
I STILL DON'T TRUST HIM!
COMMANDER! I DON'T THINK THAT'S A GOOD IDEA!
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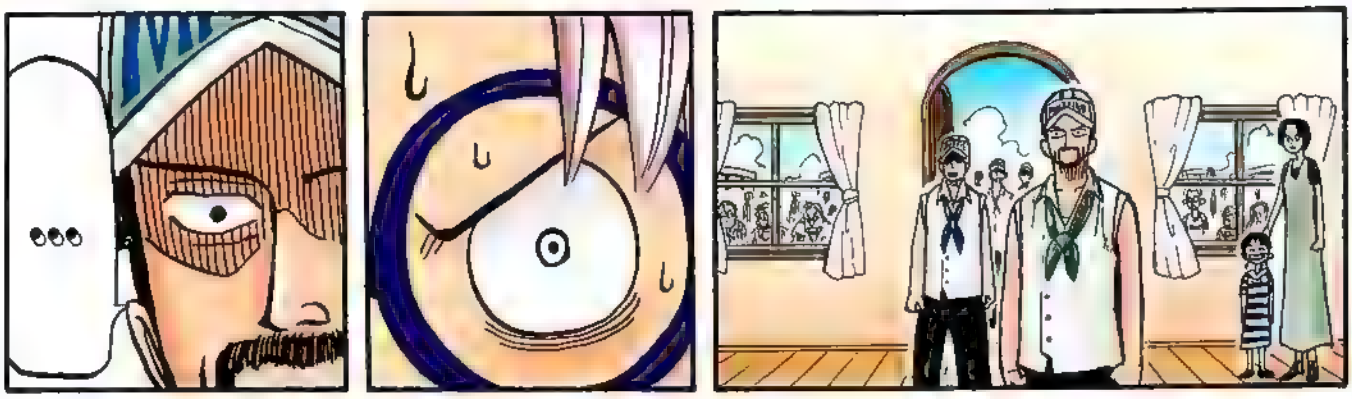
I'M GONNA BE...
DON
...A MARINE OFFICER !!!!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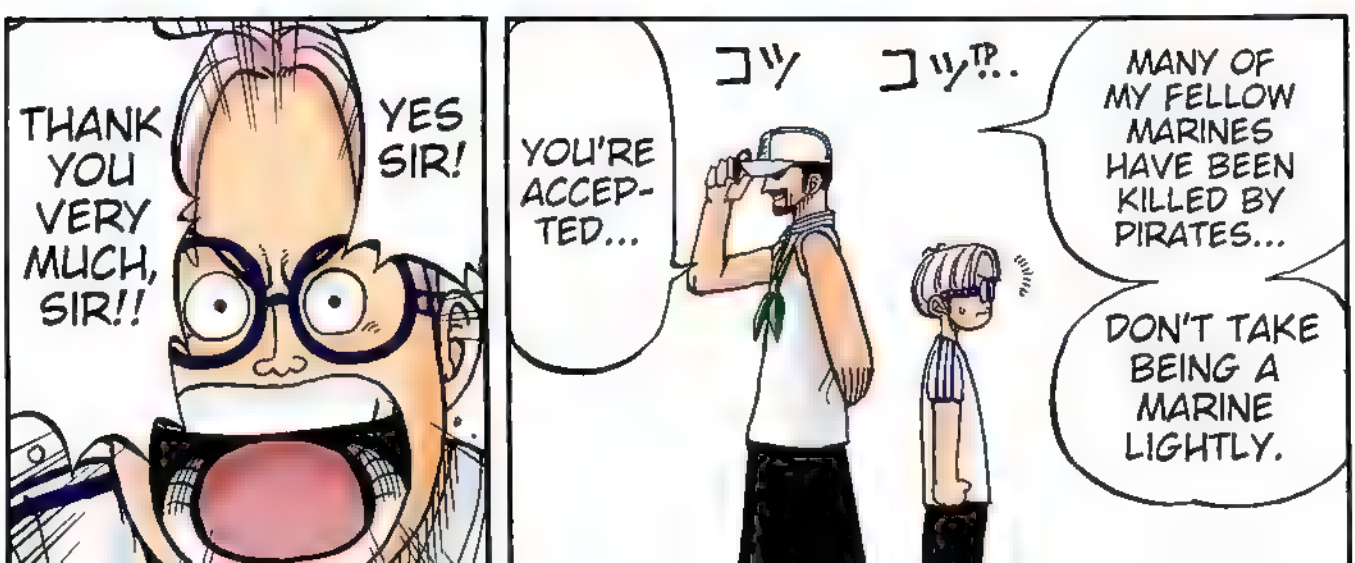
THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR!!
YES SIR!
YOU'RE ACCEP-TED...
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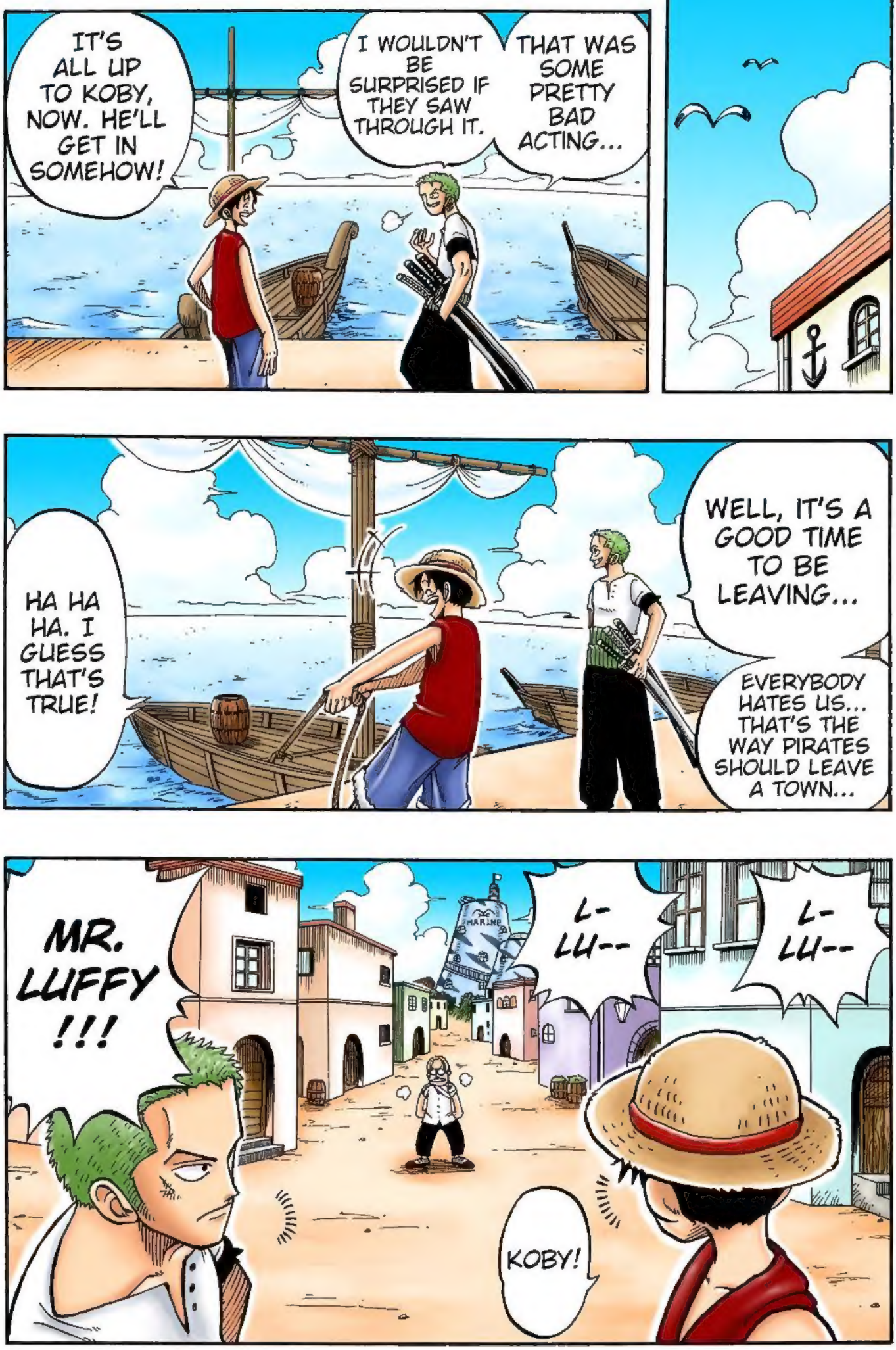
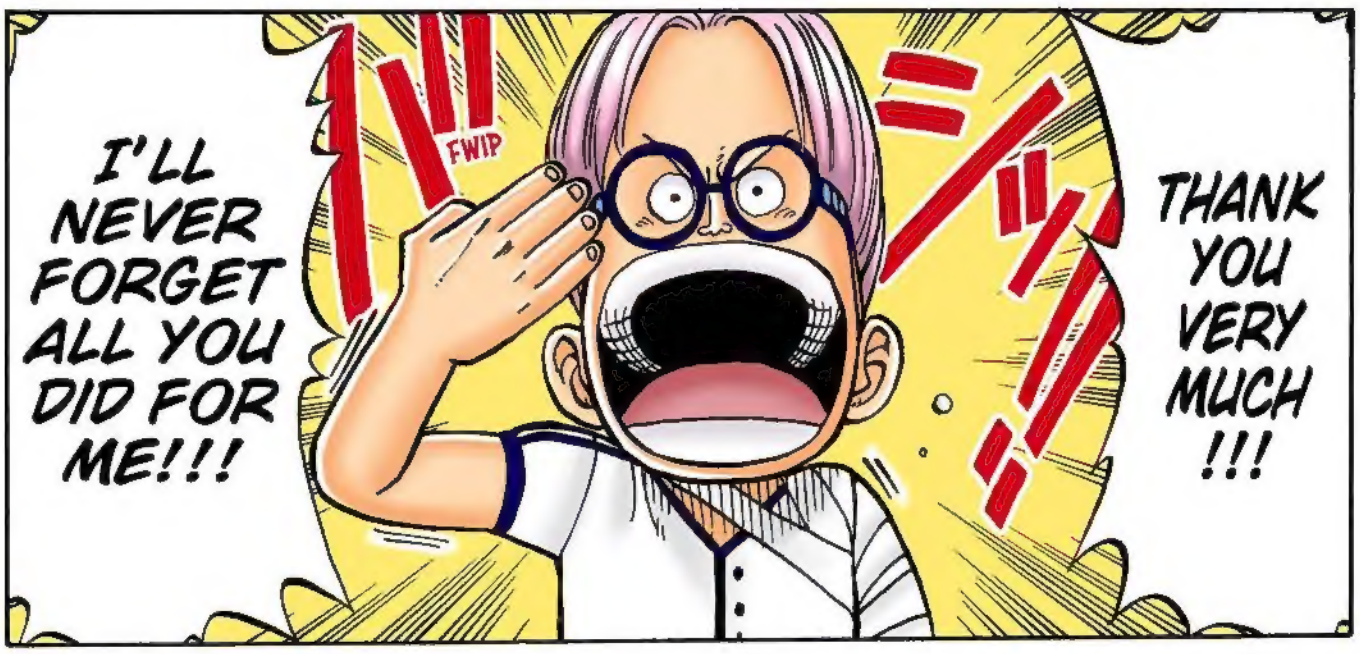
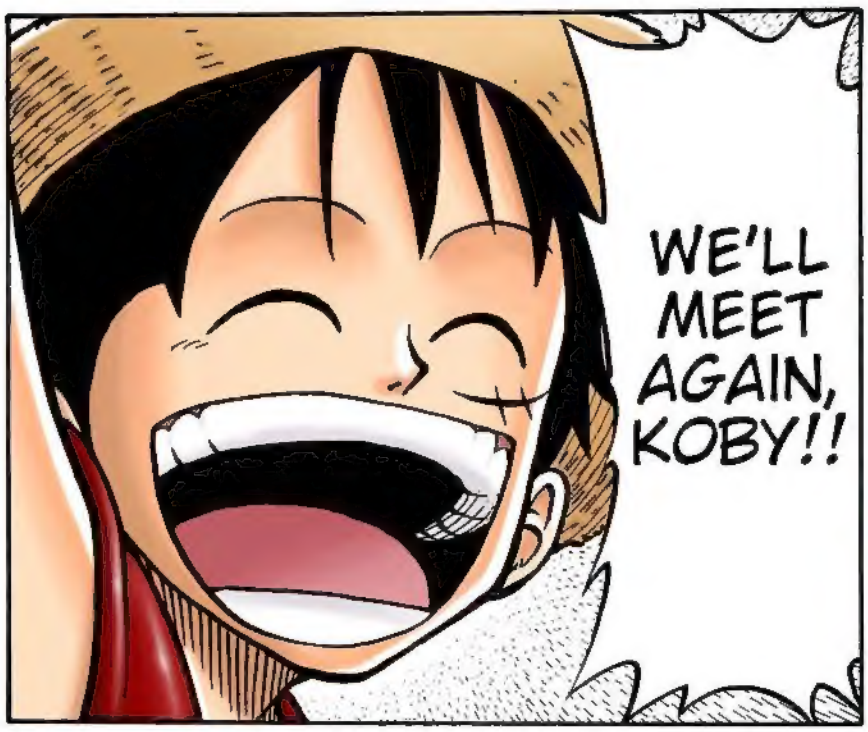
MANY OF MY FELLOW MARINES HAVE BEEN KILLED BY PIRATES...
DON'T TAKE BEING A MARINE LIGHTLY.


IT'S ALL UP TO KOBY, NOW. HE'LL GET IN SOMEHOW!
I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF THEY SAW THROUGH IT.
THAT WAS SOME PRETTY BAD ACTING...
HA HA HA. I GUESS THAT'S TRUE!
WELL, IT'S A GOOD TIME TO BE LEAVING...
EVERYBODY HATES US... THAT'S THE WAY PIRATES SHOULD LEAVE A TOWN...
MR. LUFFY !!!
L-LU--
L-LU--
KOBY!

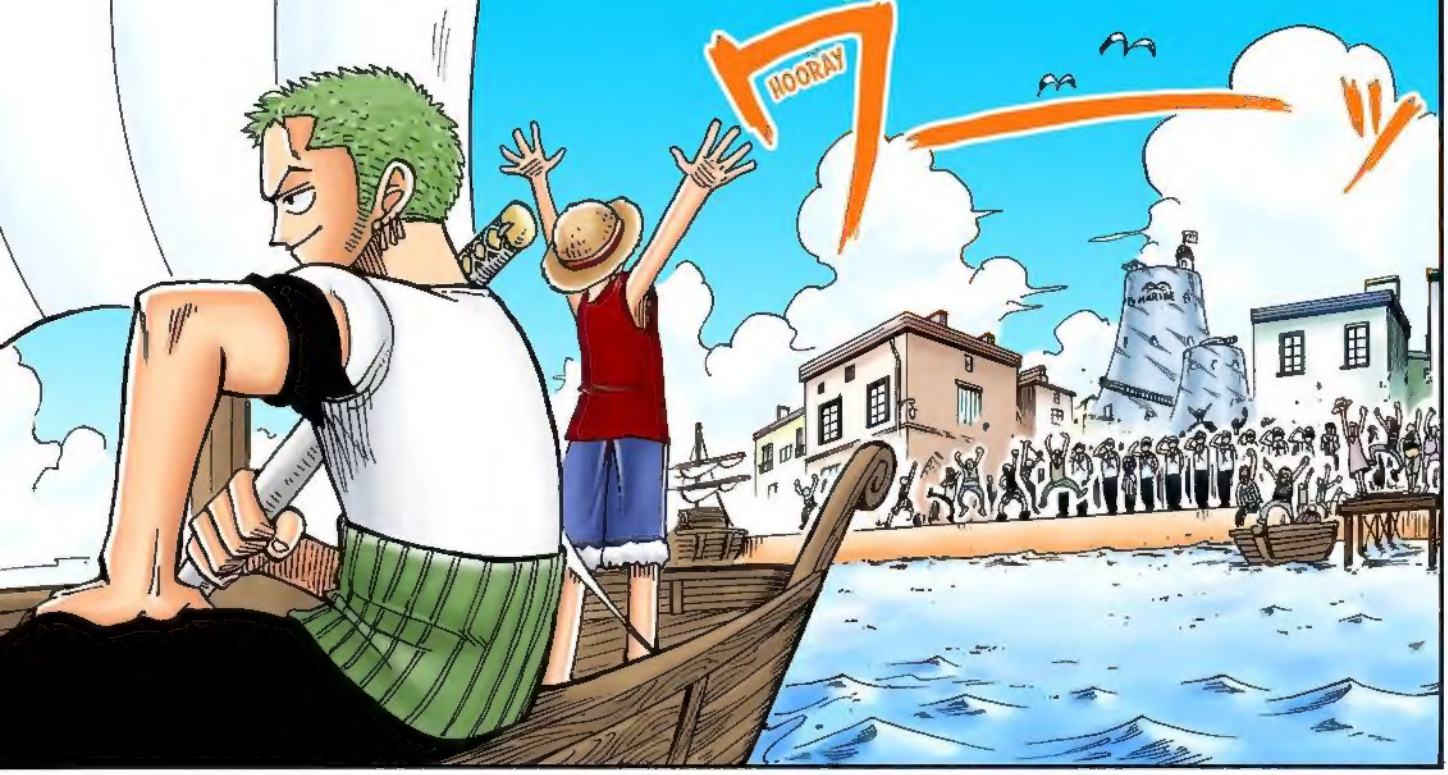

I'LL NEVER FORGET ALL YOU DID FOR ME!!!
FWIP
THANK YOU VERY MUCH !!!


WE'LL MEET AGAIN, KOBY!!

HA HA HA!
THIS IS A NEW ONE. A PIRATE BEING SALUTED BY THE MARINES!

FWUP
HUH?!

MARINE
'TEN-SUN !!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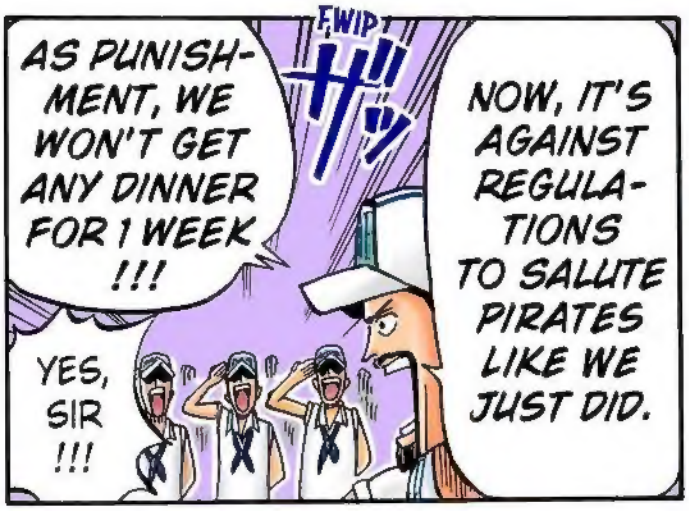
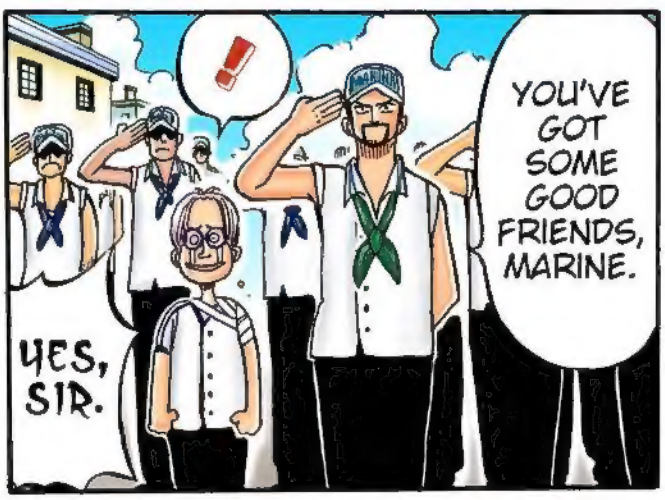

AS PUNISHMENT, WE WON'T GET ANY DINNER FOR 1 WEEK !!!
FWIP!
YES, SIR !!!
NOW, IT'S AGAINST REGULATIONS TO SALUTE PIRATES LIKE WE JUST DID.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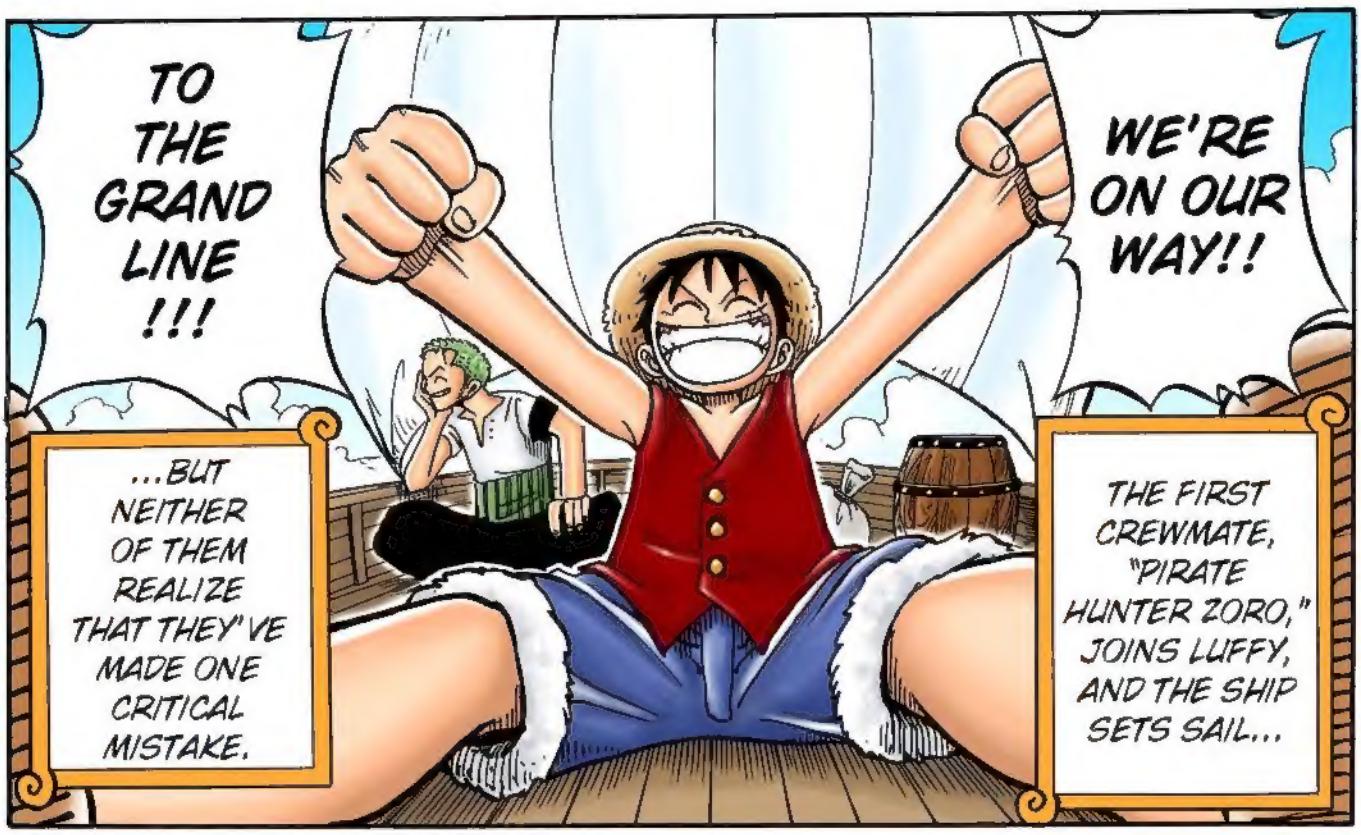
YES, SIR.
YOU'VE GOT SOME GOOD FRIENDS, MARINE.


TO THE GRAND LINE !!!
...BUT NEITHER OF THEM REALIZE THAT THEY'VE MADE ONE CRITICAL MISTAKE.
WE'RE ON OUR WAY!!
THE FIRST CREWMATE, "PIRATE HUNTER ZORO," JOINS LUFFY, AND THE SHIP SETS SAIL...

THE GREAT PIRATE ERA

THE CURRENT ERA BURNS WITH THE FERVOUR OF THOSE SEARCHING FOR THE ULTIMATE TREASURE, SAID TO "CONNECT ALL AS ONE"—THE "ONE PIECE," LEFT BEHIND BY GOLD ROGER, THE ONE AND ONLY PIRATE KING. IN THIS ERA, COUNTLESS PIRATES HAVE RAISED THEIR FLAGS, BATTLING FOR FAME AND FORTUNE.